Times.

EDITORS.

LEASES.

BROADER VIEWS.

We do not believe in littleness in religion, and the narrow views of many sectarians are in this writer's opinion the curse of the church that would reach out and gather the world beneath its wings. There are puny preachers that are for their standard instead of for their God, who are not calculated to win the respect of thinking men and who do not come into the church.

All our little 2x4 sectarians seem to lose sight of the fact that there are men outside of the church just *as much concerned* about their souls' salvation, and God fearing *by habit and tradition, who, having* studied the Church and the Bible, have come to the conclusion that the chances are about as good on the outside as on the inside of the church.

Marie Correlli dedicates her book, "The Master Christian," to all those churches whi h quarrel in the name of Christ. Each church has worked out an intricate system of salvation and is willing to defend the plan against any other patented system for reaching heaven. Many try to terrify the poor man into being a child of light by preaching the doctrine of fear, a hell of physical torture where the "flames roar like a tornado."

"And all of us have a mind to
Damn the sins we're not inclined to."

We are terrified in childhood by the story of the forty-two children who were torn to pieces by bears at the curse of the prophet for having guyed him by saying, "Go up, thou baldhead! Go up, thou baldhead!" In later life we wonder if the punishment was not out of proportion to the crime.

We are all children in the sight of God—good, bad and indifferent children. And we listen to one of our kind in a black cloth and white choker curse us all in the name of the church and we remember the she bears in the woods and are *afraid*.

Have we not had enough of this *sort of work? When a man wants* to break a colt to harness and make *him a better horse, he humors* him and is gentle and kind. At least *that is the usual and better way* to break a colt. But if he wants to win a man to the Lord's side he is apt to corrall him in a pen and bullyrag him. We think we can truthfully state that a large per cent of our ministers in their desire to keep their flock unspotted from the world make it harder for the average thinking man to accept [illegible]

The average heathen, when the plan of salvation is explained to him promptly embraces religion. The enlightened man has had so many brain-racking propositions to solve that he cannot come as a little child. Give us a church where we can all fear and worship God, and let us quarrel to satiation in the name of politics and business, but agree that hard feelings one to another is the unpardonable sin in the doctrine of love.

ROAD MATTERS.

We have been asked to call attention to the manner in which the roads are being worked over the county. In the three lower districts the road superintendents are doing little or no work until the fiscal year 1901 comes in, giving the roads a lick and a promise, while in the upper district the roads are receiving more attention than in all the three other districts combined.

The work of the superintendents of the Greenbank district will be regarded with varying opinions by the people of the county, for they are all paid out of a common fund. The superintendents of Greenbank district are probably going ahead on the old scriptural injunction that "he who provideth not for his own family is worse than an infidel," and are trying to get what they can out of the law.

We can see what this is liable to end in. Knowing that the whole county pays, each district will try to get its full share of the road money and it may lead to great extravagance.

We have called attention to a safeguard in the law but it has been wholly disregarded. The law provides that before the superintendent shall do any work he shall make a requisition on the County Court for money and supplies, and in this way the court if it so desires can keep the expenditures in all the districts evenly balanced.

When the County Court was [illegible] last week we were figuring on the possible cost of keeping up the roads next year. The estimates placed the mileage of the roads in the county at [illegible] miles, and from [illegible] per mile [illegible]

[illegible]

The [illegible]

VIRGINIA CONVENTION.

The Constitutional Convention meets Wednesday of this week at Richmond to draft a new constitution for the state of Virginia. It is composed of one hundred delegates and none were too big to go to the convention. John W. Daniel will probably be chairman.

The last Constitutional Convention was held in the sixties during the reconstruction. The interest to the country at large will be centered in the action on the illiterate negro vote. The plan will be to have either a property or educational qualification to be followed by an EXCEPT which will let in every white voter in the state and a handful of colored voters who were voters before the war and their descendents.

The qualification of voters will be determined in one of the two following ways:

"All men to vote who have $500 worth of taxable property, EXCEPT those who were entitled to vote before the war and their *descendents!"*

"All men to vote who can read and write, EXCEPT *those* who were entitled to vote before the war and their descendents."

You will see that while the qualification in the first part of each proposed amendment is different the exception or modifying *provision is the same. Therefore* there is something wrong in the diction of those amendments. Like the postscript to a woman's letter, the EXCEPTING clause contains the gist of the whole amendment. Then it would be fairer *and more honest to* write the fake amendments as follows:

"All men are to vote who could have voted before the war and their descendents, except those men who are not so descended may vote if they can read and *write or have property* to the amount of $500."

We are no *admirer of the grand*father clause. We think that any white man who would have to come in under it to vote would see no satifaction in exercising the franchise. How much better it would look in history if the *Virginia Convention would provide* both a property and educational qualification either of which would entitle the man to vote. For if a [illegible] substance there must be very little in him.

It would not do to make it *altogether educational, for some of* our brainiest men cannot read nor write. *It would not do to require* $500 worth of property from all for some of our brightest and best men have miscalculated and cannot call anything their own: But all intelligent voters would have one or the other. An action of *this kind would keep the fair* name of Virginia unspotted in the history of the country and place a price upon intelligence and thrift. It would be an act fair to all classes of men.

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Wholesale & Retail Dealers in

General Merchandise,

SEEBERT, W. Va.,

We are here to stay and are headquarters for everything carried in an in an Up to Date Store. "LOW PRICES, FAIR TREATMENT, QUICK SALES & SMALL PROFITS shall be our MOTTO. To convince you that we do sell cheap, we submit the following prices:

Granulated Sugar	6c
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2lb Soda	5c
4 pkgs Rolled Oats	25c
3 Plugs of Schnapps'	25c
1 gal of Lamp Oil	14c
Shoes from 25c to $1 20 pr pair	
Hats from 10c to $1 each	
Corn 55c per bushel	
Oats 38c per bushel	

If you will give us a call, we are sure to interest you—Come One and All. Thanking you for your patronage, we hope to be able to save you MONEY, in the near future. Courteous treatment assured to all. We are Yours truly

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Pursuant to decrees of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, entered at the October term 1900, and at the April term 1901 thereof in the chancery cause therein pending of Wm H. Cleek's Admr. vs Maggie F. Cleek et als., the undersigned special commissioners will on

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1901,

at the front door of the court-house of said Pocahontas County proceed to sell by way of public auction to the highest bidder the following described real estate situated in said county as *follows:*

First will be offered the mountain tracts as follows:

The undivided one-half of a tract of ——— acres of land situated on the east side of Knapps Creek extending *from the home lands of Peter L. Cleek* and the Late W. H. Cleek on the west, to the top of Little Mountain on the east, and from the lands of the St Lawrence Boom and Manufacturing Company known as the Seebert lands on the north-east and to what is known as the Lockridge lands on the south-east. The white-pine timber on the other undivided half is owned by Chas E. Steinmeyer and the residue of said *undivided half is owned by Peter L.* Cleek.

Second will be offered all of the *other mountain lands owned jointly* by said Wm L. Cleek's estate and Peter L. Cleek. The portion offered *being the late William H. Cleek's* undivided one-half interest in the following tracts:

166 acres on Knapps Creek.
30 acres on same.
100 acres on same.
130 acres on same.
25 acres on same.
30 acres on same.
13 acres on same.
42½ acres on Brown's Mountain.
102 acres on same.
250 acres an Allleghany Mountains.

These tracts are valuable timber *lands lying contiguous to the home* lands of the said Peter L. and and Wm H. Cleek being the lands devised to them jointly by Wm Cleek deceased.

And if said lands do not sell for a sum sufficient to satisfy said decrees t en the following tract will be offered in like manner.

A tract of 136 acres of land on Knapps Creek, constituting the home farm of the late Wm H. Cleek. Much of said land is in a fine state of cultivation, lying on both sides of Knapps Creek.

TERMS OF SALE:—Sufficient cash in hand to pay cost of suit and expenses of sale and as for the residue upon a *credit of one, two, and three years* from day of sale, in equal installments, the purchaser executing bonds *bearing interest from date with good* personal security, the title to be retained as ultimate security.

L. M. McCLINTIC
H. S RUCKER
Special Commissioners.

I, J. H. Patterson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, do certify that bond has been given as required by said decree.

J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk.

COMMISSIONERS' SALE.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, made in a cause therein pending on the 21st day of June, 1900, in the chancery cause *of John A. Gum vs G. W. Waid* and others, the undersigned special commissioners will on

Tuesday, June 18, 1901,

the first day of the circuit court of said county, at the front door of said county [illegible] proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder the life *interest of the said G W Waid in a* tract of sixty acres, more or less, situated on the North Fork of Anthony's Creek in said county, it being the same land of which Mary Wade died seized and possessed. The land is that upon which the *said G. W. Waid now resides, and* comprises a valuable farm having on it good improvable land and suitable buildings.

Terms of Sale—So much cash in hand as will pay costs of and expenses of sale, and the residue *upon a credit of six months*, the purchaser executing his bond with good personal security, bearing interest, the title to be retained as ultimate security.

H. S. RUCKER,
ANDREW PRICE,
Special Commissioners.

I. J. H. Patterson, clerk of the circuit court of Pocahontas County, do certify that Andrew Price, one of the special commissioners named above, has given bond as *required by said decree.*

J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, *West Virginia, entered at the April* term, 1901, in the chancery cause therein pending in which the Pocahontas Development Company (a corporation) is plaintiff and Mary A. Freeman and W. B. Freeman are defendants, the undersigned special commissioner will on

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1901,

at the front door of the court-house of Pocahontas County proceed to sell by way of public auction to the highest bidder the follwing real estate:

241 acres and 55 poles situated in said Pocahontas County on Allegheny Mountain on both sides of the Staunton and Parkersburg Turnpike commonly known as the Gilkeson land, composed of 7 tracts as follows: 65 acres, 20 acres, 18¼ acres, 54 acres, 14 acres, 40 acres, and a tract of 85 poles, being the same land conveyed to said Mary A. Freeman by B. M. Yeager and wife by deed dated April 6, 1897.

Said land is [illegible] and is valuable to anyone desiring to invest in land.

TERMS OF SALE.—Sufficient cash in hand to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale, and for the residue upon a credit of six months from day of sale, the purchaser executing his bond bearing interest from date with good personal security for the deferred payment, the title to be retained as ultimate security.

L. M. McCLINTIC,
Special Commissioner.

I, J. H. Patterson, Clerk of the Circuit of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, do certify that the above named special commissioner has executed bond as required by said decree.

J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk.

DELINQUENT LIST.

List of persons and property, other than real estate, in the county of Pocahontas, delinquent for the non-payment of taxes thereon *for the year 1900:*

Greenbank Dist., No 1.

Abogast, W. B.	$ 1 00
Arbogast, Abraham	1 55
Alderman, John A.	1 00
Alderman, Mrs E. G.	62
Burner, Ward	1 00
Burner, Nora E.	43
Dilley, Cris	1 00
Furgison, Burton	1 43
Frizzel, Nimrod	1 00
Frizzel, Edward	1 00
Gregg, Alva	1 00
Huges, James W.	1 00
Hoover, Jacob	1 00
Hoover, Chas	1 00
Hoover, J. C.	1 17
Houchin, J. L.	1 00
Henkle, Lee	1 00
Hiner, T. H.	2 22
Lambert, Sam'l A.	2 69
Leonard Harper & Co.	33
McLaughlin, T.	1 22
McLaughlin, James Eli	1 14
Mick, J. K.	1 00
Middleton, Chas	1 00
Phillips, Chas H.	1 00
Rider, Jacob M.	4 73
Sutton, Geo B.	1 00
Sutton, Jos. M.	1 06
Sutton, Summers H.	1 00
Sheets, A. J. (Improper ch'g	1 00
Simmons, Hezekiah	1 00
Slaton, John W., Sr	1 00
Slaton, Geo N.	1 00
Stalnaker, C. J.	1 00
Wilfong, E. E.	1 00
Ware, James	1 00

Edray District, No 2.

Armstrong, Cam	$ 1 00
Buckley, Joshua	1 00
Burgess, David M.	1 00
Burgess, George Nathan	1 00
Cantrill, M. J.	1 51
Conrad, Loyd	1 43
Dilley, Josiah J.	1 19
Dilley, Tepton	1 00
Dilley, Robert	1 00
Duncan, John Preston	1 00
Dolan, Gus	1 00
Davis, S. T.	1 00
Evans, Charles	1 00
Freil, Jonns	1 07
George, Amos	1 24
George, Arch	1 00
George, Mrs Martha	15
Gay, "Sheriff" Sam	1 00
Herbert, John W.	1 00
Hoover, Burton	19
Humphries, C. C.	1 00
Harrouff, Charles	1 00
Irvine, Amzi	1 00
Irvine, Charles R.	1 00
Jackson, Ellis	1 00
Jordan, Robert	1 00
Keeney, Pat	1 00
Knapp, Thomas	1 00
May, William	1 00
McGraw, Johnny	1 00
Paugh, William	1 00
Pritt, Colbert	1 00
Rose, Andy	1 00
Snyder, Jacob H.	1 00
Scott, Summers	1 00
Tibbs, Howard	1 15
Thomas, Rese A.	1 00
Wanless, Kenny	1 00
Williamson, G. W.	1 18
Waugh, Arestus	1 00
Waugh, John S.	1 00
Ware, Brooks	1 00
Wood, J. W.	1 00
Weiford, E. J.	1 00

Huntersville Dist. No. 3.

Alderman, Gilbert	1 00
Buzzard, Snow	1 00
Buzzard, Woods	1 00
Bowers, Jas L	1 00
Bowers, Jas F.	1 00
Dilley, Sherman	1 13
Dilley, Levi	1 00
Driscol, Jno A.	1 09
Dawson, Geo W	1 00
Dilley, John Ott	1 60
Dilley, Byron	1 00
Dilley, Davis	1 00
Dixon, Ed	1 00
Gay, Harper	45
Houdyschell, wm.	1 07
Kelley, Scott	1 00
Luster, David	1 00
Logan, Jas	1 00
Moore, Alfred	1 18
Moore, Elmer H.	1 39
Miller, wm. J.	1 00
Miller, Jas L.	1 00
Mullens, J. H	1 00
Noonan, J. J.	1 18
Rider, J. H.	3 79
Reed, Homer	1 00
Sharp, Enos	1 00
Sutton, Renick	1 00
Sutton, wilson R.	1 57
Stewart, Sam	1 25
Vaughn, E. B.	1 57
Wade, Harvey H.	1 00
Wanless, Mrs Laura	25

Little Levels Dist. No 4.

Anderson, D. L.	1 10
Alderman, Jas	1 00
Barrett, Geo W.	1 25
Blankenship, Floyd	1 16
Banks, Dallas	1 00
Cutlip, Wesley	1 00
Colley, W. J.	1 00
Crawford, Geo (col)	1 20
Goff, James A.	1 20
Lewis, William	1 00
Morrison, D. F.	1 11
Miller, S. P.	1 00
McKenney, Chas	1 00
Pritt, Romey W	1 20
Pritt, F. M.	1 00
Pritt, Alec	1 00
Rose, Thos E.	1 20
Rodgers, C. A	1 65
Scott, Geo. W	1 07
Smith, W. S	1 00
Shaw, M. M	1 00
Thompson, Frank	1 12
Williams, J. C.	1 00

State of West Virginia,
County of Pocahontas, to-wit:

I, S. W. Hill, Sheriff of the County of Pocahontas, do swear that the foregoing list is, I verily believe correct and just, that I have received no part of the taxes for which the persons and property therein mentioned are returned delinquent, and that I have used due diligence to find property within my county liable to distress for the said taxes, but have found none. S. W. HILL, S. P. C.

Taken, sworn to and subscribed before me in my said county, this *10th day of June, 1901.*

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J. H. FRY & SON,
Ronceverte, W. Va.

APPOINTMENTS.

Huntersville Circuit, M. E. Church:
Rev H. Lawson, Pastor.

1st Sunday,—Mt Vernon, 11 a. m.
Sunset, 3 p. m.
Huntersville, 8 p. m

2d Sunday,—Marlinton 11 a. m.
Mt Pleasant 3 p. m.

3d Sunday,—Huntersville 11 a. m.
Bethel 3 p. m.
Mt Vernon 8 p. m.

4th Sunday—Mt Pleasant 11 a. m.
Marlinton 8 p. m.

5th Sunday—Bethel 11 a. m.
Sunset 3 p. m.

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I was just thinking that among things demanding y u o sideration this spring would be Logging, Farm or Single or double Buggy Harness, a Riding Saddle *(Ladies or gents)* a Snow White Raw-Hide Riding Bridles, Horse collars and Pads, Decorating rings, &c. &c. If any of these things move you, give me first call. There was not a store, business house or shop in town when I *came, so all competitors will please* stand aside—I claim right of way.

G. F. CRUMMETT,
Marlinton, W. Va.

Notice to

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"MARK," a *Denmark* saddle stallion will stand at the following [illegible]

At Academy and Marlinton and points between.

Will be in Marlinton this week *and each alternate week until the* end of the season. The rest of the time in the Levels.

Price, $5 to insure colt. Money due when mare is known to be with foal.

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A good five shovel cultivator with lever for $3.50.

We have a complete line of doors, windows, paints, [illegible]

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Tues. and Wed, June 18-19

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$500 worth Boy's & Men's Clothing

$300 worth Infants, Childrns, Ladies, and MEN'S SHOES

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Pocahontas Bargain House,

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...Land o' Cakes and brither Scots,
...Maidenkirk to Johnny Groats,
...re's a hole in a' your coats,
...rede ye tent it:
...el's amang you takin' notes,
An' faith he'll prent it. — Burns

Local Events.

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY ROUTE

In Effect June 1, 1901
(Central time.)

West No 141 Daily ex Sunday	Stations.	East No 142 Daily ex Sunday
P. M.		A. M.
1.45	Cass	11.45
1.57	Forrest	11.35
2.12	Clover Lick	11.20
[illegible]	Harper	10.58
3.00	Marlinton	10.35
3.12	Buckeye	10.22
3.20	Dan	10.15
3.30	Seebert	10.05
3.52	Beards	9.41
4.10	Droop Mountain	9.25
4.32	Renick	9.05
4.42	Spring Creek	8.55
5.03	Anthony	8.35
5.15	Keister	8.25
5.28	Little Sulphur	8.09
5.45	Whitcomb	7.55
5.55	Ronceverte	7.45

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Washington, D. C.

Mr and Mrs Alvin Clark are visiting Marlinton.

Maj J. C. Arbogast was in Marlinton this week on business.

R. B. Slaven is treading on air—It's a boy.

The health policy people are doing a big business while the water works are hanging fire.

C. L. Harvey, of the Harvey House, is laid up with a badly sprained foot.

Mrs A. Harrison has returned from a visit to friends in Baltimore.

Capt. Swecker was in town Friday to cry the McClintic sale. The property at that sale sold well.

Dr J. B. Lockridge, of Driscol, was in Marlinton Monday, procuring material for his new dwelling.

A. C. Kydd has procured the contract of laying the brick for the foundation of the boilers in Cole & Co's large stave factory at Clover Lick.

Wm Geiger, the Dunmore village blacksmith, has purchased the property recently occupied by Luther Campbell.

The wheat prospects above Dunmore and Glade Hill surpass anything that is now remembered of former years.

Rev H. W. McLaughlin went to Lewisburg last week to visit his family and also to attend the nuptials of his brother, Lee, and Miss Julia Arbuckle.

Edward Stewart, of Amherst County, Va., has been on a prolonged visit to his son living on J. C. Price's farm near Dunmore.

Mrs Rock and Messrs Charles Pritchard and Luther Campbell are conducting refreshment and lodging houses at Dunmore and all are patronized.

Mrs Hull is now with her brother, Lee Nottingham, caring for his motherless children who were so sadly bereaved a few weeks since of their good mother.

A lad in upper Pocahontas was chaffed by some one for the yellow appearance of the corn he was hoeing and replied, "What else would you look for when our folks planted the gold sort."

Misses Carrie and Gracie Moore, daughters of Mr and Mrs Ernest Moore returned home from Dr Tel... [illegible] Miss Carrie received two medals for art improvement and deportment. Miss Grace received a medal for attendance.

On Thursday, June 6th, Misses Lillian and Byrne, daughters of Dr and Mrs J. P. Moomau, and Mattie Moore, daughter of ... Dr C. N. Austin, arrived at their homes at Greenbank from the L. F. I. Miss Lillian was awarded two medals for music and scholarship, Miss Byrne medalist for attendance, and Miss Mattie Austin the medal for [illegible].

Ben Jackson, some years a well known citizen of our county near Dunmore, now of [illegible] ... was recently on a visit to his children, relatives and old neighbors at Dunmore [illegible] [illegible]

It was the writer's pleasure to meet Mr ... [illegible]

S. M. Arbogast made a flying trip to Highland county last week.

The Pullin property was sold to B. M. Yeager who sold it in turn to S. J. Boggs.

The county musical association meets at Buckeye this week, June 13th, S. B. Moore, President.

Rev Callison, of the Baptist Church, will preach the Presbyterian church next Sunday night, 8 p. m.

J. A. Sharp moved his planing mill to Driscol Friday, where he will dress the lumber for Dr Lockridge's new house.

H. M. Lockridge was in town Monday. He is preparing to go into the lumber business.

Joseph C. Loury has bought out S. J. Boggs and has opened a store at the old Loury and Doyle stand.

Lemuel Shrader, after an absence of four months in the lumber camps in Randolph, was on a visit to his old home in Dilleys Mill vicinity.

On the 2nd Sunday in July the Alexander Memorial church will be dedicated at Driftwood. Rev J. M. Sloan is expected to be present.

The trainmen have received orders not to carry any letters for the public, so letters must now be mailed at the postoffice.

C. W. Maxwell of the law firm of Scott, Cobb & Maxwell, of Elkins, was in Marlinton Thursday and Friday.

Miss Mabel Ligon has secured a class in music and will teach here the coming season. She is a very accomplished young lady and very proficient in the art of music.

G. F. Crammett has moved his shop to the Grove & Perry building. He has procured the services of Robert Warren, of Alderson, a competent saddler and a good band man.

Robert L. Brown is in town, helping his son, the county clerk, with the land books. He is 79 years old, but can get up as good a looking record as anyone could ask.

Divine services will be held by Rev H. W. McLaughlin on the 3rd Sunday in June at Liberty, 11 a. m., Baxter, 3 p. m., and Wesley chapel at night. At the first two mentioned places congregational meetings will be held.

One of our townsmen says that anybody who will throw a banana shell on the sidewalk is fit for treason, strategems and snares, and that he objects to being forced into a sitting position in such a summary manner.

The restaurants are doing a rushing business at Cass and the proprietors are seriously concerned about their wives and daughters having to be under such a press of work serving the tables day and much of the night crowded with hungry customers feeding their faces.

Our passenger service was greatly improved last week by putting on new cars. The train is now composed of a combination mail and baggage car and two day coaches, all new. It makes as pretty a train as one could wish to see. Two local freights are on the road each making one trip a day from Ronceverte to Cass, passing the passenger at Marlinton.

Mrs Lepps and Mrs Ray, of Putnam County, are visiting their aunt, Mrs S. Ratliff, near Marlinton. They were in Marlinton Wednesday visiting the places of interest and included this office in their rounds. Their parents were among the multitude who migrated from this county several decades ago.

Don't pay some agent two prices to have your house or barn rodded but write or phone to R. B. Slaven at Marlinton and get prices on galvanized or copper rods put up complete. I have employed a first class salesman. I will save you big money; investigate and see.

Allen & Ziemko went to Academy this week to do some papering and painting for Mrs R. I. Holt and Dr D. S. Sydenstricker. They have painted C. A. Yeager's new house, and the town is resplendent with beautiful signs from their brushes. They have ... book ... already that will take a month or more to fill.

The C. & O. ... [illegible] in such a great hurry to ... the road beyond Cass. The ... [illegible] that the C. & I. Railroad will ... [illegible]

According to the Athletic ... [illegible]

[illegible]

BOLD BURGLARS.

Entered the House of Capt I. W. Allen, Near Clover Lick.

Hugh Crouch, aged 18, and Martin Booze, aged 15, were tramping through the Clover Lick neighborhood June 4th. They stopped at Abe Shinneberry's to get something to eat and passed on by Capt Allen's house, which was locked, all the inmates being away.

Being tempted of the devil they took out some window panes and Booze, who is a *small boy, entered* and handed out to Crouch a miscellaneous collection of articles, including a rifle gun, knife, spectacles, shoes, books, sugar and bread.

They went to Elk River and tried to sell the gun and strolled on to Huttonsville. They turned back from thence to go down Elk River and were taken on Middle *Mountain by Piatt Marshall, Sheriff* of Randolph County, Ellis Allen, Special Constable of Pocahontas County, Dr Cameron and Cam Beale. They had in their possession some of the stolen articles but the rifle had been left beside the road near *Huttonsville.*

They were haled before W. B. Hannah, Justice, who committed them to jail to await the action of the grand jury. They made a confession of their crime to the justice.

Crouch is from Teg River. His family live in the Big Spring *neighborhood. Booze is a Green*brier boy. Neither of the prisoners seems to have any intelligence.

They arrived to swell the unhappy club in the jail which numbered eight Monday.

The crime of breaking into a house in the daytime with intent to commit larceny, is burglary and is punishable with a sentence of not less than five nor more than fifteen years. Booze is young enough to go to the reform school but Crouch seems in for a very severe sentence in any event.

Assessor in Town.

The world famous assessor Joe *Buzzard swooped down on this town* last Monday like a wolf on the fold. He said: "You fellows have been having your fun out of me and now its my turn," and he proceeded to assess us sufficient to make up a large deficit in the county treasury. We whipped the devil around the stump *all we could, but Joe got the* better of us all, with one exception. This is a great bicycle town, in spite of a non-participating board of trustees who pass laws against riding on the sidewalk and slipping up behind prominent citizens and ringing a bell, and making the prominent citizens jump off in a mud hole.

The Assessor does not participate in the sport, and he came down here cocked and primed to assess every *bichele in town*. A *young man* gave in his wheel as being worth 50 cents. "Oh, shucks," says the assessor, "I'll give you five dollars for it myself," and he put it down at that. The young man being poor and downtrodden, sub*mitted to this, and will have to pay* about ten cents tax on his machine next year.

But the assessor worked that game once too often. The next morning he struck a man who had heard how he justified his assess*ments. We may state in passing* that Joe Buzzard has offered to buy something like a million dollars worth of property from reluctant men who were listing their goods and *chattels.*

This particular bicycle owner had a wheel that had been *through the* mill. A punctured, ball losing, loose chain, non salable machine, and he lay for the assessor. He wanted to list the machine at 50c. The assessor, who thought the man was depressing the value of the pro*perty, made his customary of $5*, which was promptly accepted. The machine will be delivered to him at his address, and he will sue if necessary for the purchase money.

The mercantile law books say that when the buyer says "I will give *you so much," and the seller says* "I accept it," then a sale is consummated. So the assessor is poorer by one bicycle.

Captain Swecker passed through Marlinton Friday morning with *his horn under his arm and saying* things about the big rocks in the road.

The band is preparing for a big *4th of July celebration.* Further announcements later.

A fine 20-horse power Frick ... [illegible] unloaded here last Thursday ... Cooper & Yeager, also a ... sawmill. Auburn Fried has ... the earth and moved it to a ... Brown's Mountain.

... Florence, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. L. Harper, near Driscol, reached home on the 5th from the L. F. I. She made a pleasing ... for diligence in study and deportment, having been awarded ... [illegible]

Miss Royal Hutton, of Huttonsville, daughter of Col Hutton, stopped over in Marlinton on her return from the L. F. I. where she made an excellent record for ... in study and deportment.

E. E. Smith, of the Southern Manufacturer and Miner, is in town. The next issue of that fine publication will be devoted to Marlinton and Pocahontas County ... [illegible]

C. B. Swecker, the ... [illegible]

[illegible]

EAST BUCKEYE.

Fine weather between showers.

Buckeye still continues on its westward course in the growth of its population.

Justice Rodgers is arranging for a fine dwelling in town west of the river.

The C. & O. section houses have been completed and are now ready for occupation.

Hotel de Buckeye holds command of a good trade and accom*modations unexcelled.*

Dr Sandy passed through town *a few days ago.*

Say, Mr Franklin, do you know *of any ramp hooks down in your* part of the county?

We have taken notice that one of the Dunmore correspondents believes a good deal in free advertising. We should be suppressed with the fact that our editor who so faithfully serves the people with a feast of good moral reading fifty-*two times each year nobly deserves* our support.

The other day we were present to hear a young lad boast of his potato crop. After being asked if they were volunteers, said, "No, g-g-g-gewiz no, they'r r-re early r-r-r-roses.
JIM CROW.

Young Girl Enticed Away.

Miss Rhoda Florence Mays, the *17 year old daughter of Arthur* Mays, of Marlinton, disappeared *from home last Friday. The young* lady has been of very quiet and re*tiring habits, and no cause can be* ascribed for her leaving home.

She told her mother that she was going after a bucket of water about 12.30 o'clock that day. She did not take any clothes with her other than what she wore. When her father *returned from work about 6 o'clock* search was made and he traced her to Seebert, where she had walked with a man who is identified as Jno. M. Wilfong, an uncle of the girl, who had been living at her house. They took the train at Seebert, and *all trace of them was lost at Ronce*verte.

Any information as to the whereabouts of the young lady will be thankfully received by the father, Arthur Mays.

County Court.

County Court met in one its few and far between special sessions last Saturday and transacted the following business:

Present, Barlow and Warwick.

A reward of $300 was ordered paid for the arrest of Jerome Kellison.

Paris D. Yeager granted license to carry on the business of a druggist.

Harry R. Echols and D. W. Proctor & Bro granted leave to retail cigirettes.

The following school book board was appointed for the next four years: S. B. Hannah, C. L. Austin, Sherman Gibson, J. H. Lantz, Geo P. Moore, Isaac McNeel, T. A. Bruffey and C. B. Grimes.

Oliver—Gum.

J. W. Oliver and Miss Anna Gum, the esteemed and accomplished daughter of R. N. Gum, were united in marriage at the home of the bride, June 5, 1901, Rev J. W. McNeill *officiating. After the ceremony* the party repaired to the dining room to a sumptuous dinner and at 5 o'clock the bridal party adjourned to the home of the groom where a table of good things was awaiting, also a few invited guests and all enjoyed the supper.

The groom and his beautiful bride will make their home on the fine farm on Back Alleghany near Cass. We extend congratulations and best *wishes.*
A FRIEND.

A Debtor's Plea.

Ex-Governor MacCorkle is fond *of narrating the following story:*

"A colored man was telling a *white friend about another negro* who owed him $2 and absolutely refused to pay the debt. The creditor dunned and dunned him, but all to no purpose. Finally the creditor went to his white friend, who is a lawyer, and poured his *tale of woe into his ear. 'Well,'* said the lawyer, 'if he positively refused to pay you what reason did he give?' 'Well, boss,' said the colored man, 'he said he had owed me dat money fo' so long dat de interest had dun et it all up, an' he *didn't owe me a cent.'"*

The venerable Washington Moore accompanied by his son, Price, was in town Tuesday.

Paris D. Yeager has opened up a nice drugstore at Gillespie's old stand.

Harry R. Echols attended the commencement exercises at Lewisburg last week. He was accompanied on his return by his brother John and Will Frasier.

Lost—Bay horse, 5 years old, small cut on off fore leg, handstall on. Lost from Marlinton. Information desired.—J. B. G. Wilson.

Born to Mr and Mrs E. F. McLaughlin, a 10 pound boy.

Married, at the home of the bride near Lewisburg, Lee McLaughlin to Miss Julia Arbuckle, Thursday, June 6th, Rev Henry McLaughlin officiating ... The bride is the ... daughter of A. H. Arbuckle and is a highly accomplished young woman. The groom is the second son of A. M. McLaughlin and is a hard working young farmer ... [illegible]

I have moved ... [illegible] ... west of Grove & Perry's warehouse ... [illegible]

COURT WEEK.

Next week is Circuit Court. There is quite a batch of criminal business to be pushed through. We have in jail a man indicted for killing a woman, and a woman indicted for killing a man.

Public interest centers most largely in the case of Jerome Kellison who killed Mis Simmons and who was so long a fugitive from this county. His mother and sister are in town and will be with him during the ordeal of his trial. We understand that this case will in all probability come off this court.

The case of Mrs Mary F. Young who killed Chas Mory at her hotel can hardly go over this term, as the defendant insisted so strongly on a trial last term. Jones is employed to assist in the prosecution and Gilmer is for the defendant. This will be a pretty warm legal battle.

The colored man, Taylor, who was acting as peacemaker when Mory was shot seems to have got it where most peacemakers do get it—in the neck. He is still in jail under indictment and nothing is heard of his case. When Mory and Mrs Young jumped to their feet and the close observer could *have seen razors flying in the air*, Taylor grabbed the man and pulled him in the corner and held him while Mrs Young shot him across the room. If the State's contention that he held Mory so that he could be shot is correct, it shows *a sublime confidence on his part* in Mrs Young's marksmanship.

The case of Nagle charged with stealing a horse from Mann Bros. will probably be heard. Wm M. McAllister repsesents the defendant. McClintic is employed by *prosecuting witnesses to assist in* the prosecution.

Bob Jackson who is under indictment charged with appropriating $25 in gold of Mrs D. W. Proctor to his own use is out on bail. This case may come up. McClintic and McNeil are for the defense.

Alfred Rider who stands indicted for cutting Cam Lockridge and who jumped his $600 bail last court is still at large.

Outside of the regular routine chancery business there are no civil cases of any great importance *to be heard next week.*

A big crowd of people is expected and the hotels are making arrangements to accommodate the crowd to the best advantage. The railroad will be a great convenience to persons attending court, as keeping horses here is rather expensive and not always satisfactory.

ONOTO.

Business is lively.

The wheat and oats crops are looking well.

Most of the farmers are busy hoeing and replanting corn.

J. W. Curry and family moved from here to Lobelia where he and his brother will engage in the mercantile business at the W. B. Hill stand.

Bill Lough is casting his smiling eyes over the hill at the girl he likes best.

Geo H. Moore is still working on the C. & O. carpenter force at Buckeye. He says he has a fine *boss to work under.*

T. D. Moore left here a few days *ago for Lobelia where he expects* to clerk for Curry Bros a few days.

Geo Burke and Miss Lizzie Beardly passed here Friday on their way to Greenbank to visit friends and relatives.

Joseph D. Barlow is improving his house at the ford of Stony Creek by building an addition to it.

T. M. Hill has just received a fresh supply of groceries which he proposes to sell at rock bottom prices.

Some of the boys are styled for Hill Creek.

Samuel Forbes moved from his farm to Sindy Fork where he expects to work at the blacksmith trade.

W. G. Cochran is erecting a store building on the home place where he expects to carry a full line of goods which he says he will sell as cheap as any merchant.

Hurrah! boys, keep your eye on the indicator; some more weddings in sight.
REX.

NOTICE.

All persons whose fences encroach upon the public roads of this county are notified to set them back at the ... [illegible] and avoid any costs of legal proceedings.

By order of the County Court.

The record made by the Pocahontas girls at the Lewisburg Female Institute ... [illegible]

From this ... [illegible] ... Apply to Mrs M. ... Lockridge, ... W. Va.

ALFALFA OR LUCERNE.

We have received the following *letter from a Pocahontas man, who* is now living in Colorado, concerning a valuable forage plant:

Niwot, Colo. May 31, 1901.
EDITOR TIMES,

Inclosed find clipping from California paper. It your people will sow this grass it will solve the feed problem in the future. It does fine in this country and will make from 3 to 5 tons per acre. Last year I cut 106 tons from 27 acres, *cutting three times in one season. The crop stands from 20 to 30* inches high at this time and some are cutting the first crop now, but they are a little too early. It should not be cut until it begins to bloom.

Crops of all kinds look well here now. We are having plenty of rain and there has been *but little* irrigating done yet and we may *not need to irrigate any.*
GEO. W. DUFFIELD.

The Agricultural Department, at Washington, D. C. is distributing free a variety of alfalfa that may be grown in any state in the Union. The California Cultivator gives the following directions for sowing same:

Alfalfa is a valuable renovator of the soil, making it richer in nitrogen, that most valuable and expensive fertilizing element. It may also be applied directly to the soil as well as in the form of manure *after the feeding value has been* extracted. Land intended for alfalfa should be deeply plowed, from ten to twenty-five pounds of barley sown on each acre and thoroughly harrowed in. Sow thirty pounds of alfalfa seed to the acre in order *to get a good thick stand. Harrow* once lightly across previous harrow marks. I believe in the nurse crop for three reasons. First, protection against wind after frost; second, to take the place of weeds that are always sure to grow; and *third, for the crop itself.* I believe early sown seed is most likely to make a good stand in ordinary years. Seed should be sown as soon as enough rain has fallen to insure a continuous growth. November, December and January are good months, though I have secured good stands as late as *March 15th. During our winter* months old alfalfa fields grow but slowly and take a much needed rest. Winter weeds and foxtail grass take advantage of this rest time and soon get a foothold if not prevented. To do this I usually sow about *twenty-five pounds of barley per* acre and harrow in thoroughly after last cutting in November. I would not advise pasturing alfalfa with any kind of stock whatever, unless it is desired to plow up the fields shortly.

COMMISSIONERS SALE.

*Pursuant to decrees of the Cir*cuit Court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, pronounced in the chancery cause of George W. Nottingham, et als, vs. John Grogg, et als, on the 20th day of December, 1900, and the 6th day of April, 1901, the undersigned special commissioner will on

Tuesday, June 18, 1901,

the first day of the June term of said court, at the front door of the courthouse of said county, proceed to sell by way of public auction to the highest bidder the one-fifth interest of the plaintiff in the following described tracts of land, situated in Greenbank District of said Pocahontas County, being the same *land of which Eliza R. Davis died* seized, as follows:

1st—A tract of 9 acres of land, conveyed to John W. Davis by *Henry Beverage on the 20th day* of October, 1850.

2d—*A tract of 210 acres*, conveyed to Eliza R. Davis by Henry Beverage, on the 9th day of September, 1874.

3d—A tract of acres conveyed to John W. Davis by W. J. Woddell, on the 19th day of July 1873.

The one-fifth interest of the plaintiffs in the 40 acre tract deeded to Ida M. Grogg will be sold separate from the interests in the rest of the tracts.

Said land comprises a valuable farm north of the village of Greenbank, and has on it buildings and other improvements.

Note: Said commissioners will not sell the timber on the 210 acre tract, which was sold to Smith & Whiting by W. A. Bratton, Commissioner, on the 25th day of October, 1900.

Terms of Sale: Cash.

W. A. BRATTON,
H. S. RUCKER,
Special Commissioners.

I, J. H. Patterson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas county, do certify that the above named special commissioners have given bond as required by said decree.

J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk.

FIDUCIARY NOTICE.

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A Word of Adv...

Those who want to sell their wool ... to stop at the Golden Store and price... You can find a nice quality of Cotto... full 36 inches wide, for 5c, the same ... have been paying 7ct in other pla... give you a special price by the bolt.

4 packages Rolled Oats, 25c	A good iron bed ...
Tomatoes, $1.80 a case	A nice Oak Suit ...
A good Boy's Suit, coat and knee pants, for 78c	A line of sample ... in prise from 62...
A good black cotton worsted suit, from 14 to 19 $1.98	Ladies waists ...
A all wool black clay worsted, diagonal twill $4.95	A good Zinc Trunk ...
A good set of hand made Chairs, cane seat $3.38	A nice Brussels Car... nine inches long...
A nice oak centre table $1.23	Ladies white shir... trimmed in lace ...
A nice centre table cover, .23	Ladies Night Gown...
	4 panel zinc doors, ...

I have sold more Trimmed Hats alr... ever before. You know the reason ... because they are nice trimmed, and ... cheap and fashionable. It will pay y... through my line

Yours for better bargains than ever,

PAUL GOLDE...
Marlinton, ...

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, entered at the April term, 1901, thereof in the chancery cause therein pending of Barlow & Moore vs Mary M. Cook and others, the undersigned special commissioner will on

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1901,

at the front door of the court-house *of said Pocahontas County* proceed to sell by way of public auction to the highest bidder the following property:

A tract of 2 acres of land situated near Edray in said county where the Williams River road intersects *the Marlin's Bottom and Hutton*sville road. There is on said lot a dwelling house. And is the land of which Charles Cook died seized.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash in hand sufficient to pay costs of suit and expense of sale and as to the residue upon a credit of six months from day of sale, the purchaser executing bond bearing interest from date, with good personal security, the title to be retained as ultimate *security.*

L. M. McCLINTIC,
Special Commissioner.

I, J. H. Patterson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, do certify that bond has been given as required by said decree.

J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk.

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OR
Anything Else in
GENTS' FURNISHINGS

You will find it to your interest to call and see my line. I do not claim to sell as cheap but cheaper than they can be bought elsewhere.

Overalls from 35c up
Sweaters at 85c
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Marlinton, W. Va.

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Feed and livery stable under same management. Turnouts of all styles. Your patronage solicited.

C. L. HARVEY, Mgr.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

All parties owing taxes are hereby notified to arrange for settlement at once.

I will be in to see in the next thirty days.

B. W. HILL, S. P. C.

FOR SALE.

Several improved and unimproved lots in the growing town of Marlinton.

I will also sell several small tracts of timber land, suitable for portable mills.

Two saw mill outfits complete and two extra boilers and engines all in good order.

Call on or address
B. A. YEAGER
Marlinton, W. Va.

H. R. JOHNSON, M. D.
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CURSE OF SPECULATION.

Dr. Talmage Draws Lessons From Gambling Crazes Which Have Swept Over the World.

Integrity and Villainy in Wall Street--Money Is a Gold Breasted Bird With Silver Beak.

[Copyright 1903.]

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In this discourse Dr. Talmage arraigns the spirit of wild speculation and gives some account of the financial ruin of other days; Proverbs xxiii, 5, "Riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven."

Money is a gold breasted bird with silver beak. It alights on the office desk or in the counting room or on the parlor centre table. Men and women stand and admire it. They do not notice that it has wings larger than a raven's, larger than a flamingo's, larger than an eagle's. One wave of the hand of misfortune, and it spreads its beautiful plumage and is gone, "as an eagle toward heaven," my textbook says, though sometimes I think it goes in the other direction.

What a verification we have had of the flying capacity of riches in Wall Street! And Wall Street is one of the longest streets in all the world. It does not begin at the foot of Trinity Church, New York, and end at the East River, as many suppose. It reaches through all our American cities and across the seas. Encouraged by the revival of trade and by the fact that Wall Street disasters of other years were so far back as to be forgotten, speculators run up the stocks from point to point until innocent people *on the outside suppose that the stocks* would always continue to ascend. They gather in from all parts of the country. Large sums of money are taken into Wall Street and small sums of money. The crash comes, thank God, in time to warn off a great many who were on their way thither, for the sadness of the thing is that a great many of the young men of our cities who save a *little money* for the purpose of starting themselves in business and who have $500 or $1000 or $2000 or $10,000 go into Wall Street and lose all. And if there was a time for the pulpit to speak out in regard to certain kinds of nefarious enterprises now is the time.

Stocks rose and fell, and now they begin to rise again, and they will fall again until thousands of young men will be ruined unless the printing press and the pulpit give emphatic utterance. My counsel is to countrymen, so far as they may hear of this discourse, if they have surplus, to invest it in first mortgages and in moneyed institutions which, though *paying comparatively small interest, are* sound and safe beyond dispute, and to stand clear of the Wall Street vortex, where so many have been swamped and swallowed. What a compliment it is to the healthy condition of our country that these recent disasters have in no wise depressed trade! I thank God that Wall Street's capacity to blast this country has gone forever.

Across the island of New York in 1685 a wall made of stone and earth and cannon mounted was built to keep off the savages. Along by that wall a street was laid out, and as the street followed the line of the wall it was appropriately called Wall Street. It is narrow, it is unarchitectural, and yet its history is unique. Excepting Lombard street, London, it is the mightiest street on this planet. There the Government of the United States was born. There Washington held his levees. There Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Caldwell and Mrs. Knox and other brilliant women of the Revolution displayed their charms. There Witherspoon and Jonathan Edwards and George Whitefield sometimes preached. There Dr. Mason chided Alexander Hamilton for writing the Constitution of the United States without any God in it. There negroes were sold in the slave mart. There criminals were harnessed to wheelbarrows and, like beasts of burden, compelled to draw or were lashed through the streets behind carts to which they were fastened. There fortunes have come to coronation or burial since the day when reckless speculators in powdered hair and silver shoe buckles dodged Dugan, the Governor-General of His Majesty, clear down to yesterday at 3 o'clock. The history of Wall Street is to a certain extent the financial, commercial, agricultural, mining, literary, artistic, moral and religious history of this country. There are the best men in this country, and there are the worst. Everything from unswerving integrity to tiptop scoundrelism—everything from heaven born charity to bloodless Shylockism. I want to put the plow in at the curbstone of Trinity and drive it clear through to Wall Street ferry, and so it shall go if the horses are strong enough to draw the plow.

First of all, Wall Street stands as a type in this country for tried integrity and the most outrageous villainy. Farmers who have only a few hundred dollars' worth of produce to put on the market have but little to test their character, but put a man into the seven times heated furnace of Wall Street excitement and he either comes out a Shadrach, with hair unsinged, or he is burned into a black moral cinder. No half way work about it. If I wanted to find integrity bombproof, I would go among the bankers and merchants of Wall Street, yet because there have been such villainies enacted there at different times some men have supposed that it is a great financial debauchery, and they hardly dare go near the street or walk up and down it unless they have buttoned up their last pocket and had their lives insured or religiously crossed themselves. Yet if you start at either end of the street and read the business signs you will find the *names of more men of integrity and* Christian benevolence than you can find in the same space in any street of any of our cities. When the Christian commission and the sanitary commission wanted money to send medicine and bandages to the wounded, when breadstuffs were wanted for famishing Ireland, when colleges were to be endowed and churches *were to be supported and missionary societies* were to be equipped for their work of sending the gospel all around the world, the first street to respond has been Wall Street, and the largest responses in all the land have come from Wall Street.

But, while that street is a type of tried integrity on one hand, it is also a type of unbounded swindle on the other. There are the spiders that wait for innocent flies, there are the crocodiles that crawl up through the slime to crunch the calf; there are the anacondas, with lifted loop, ready to crush the unwary; there are financial wreckers who stand on the beach praying for a Caribbean whirlwind to sweep over our commercial interests. Let me say it is no place for a man to go into business unless his moral principle is thoroughly settled. That is no place for a man to go into business who does not know when he is overpaid to be mistaken whether he had better take it back or not; that is no place for a man to go who has large funds in trust and who is all the time tempted to speculate with them; that is no place for a man to go who does not quite know whether the laws of the State forbid usury or patronize it. Oh, how many men have risked themselves in the vortex and gone down for the simple reason their integrity had not been thoroughly established? [illegible]

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WEST VIRGINIA.

The Latest News Gleaned From All Over the State.

AN ARREST CAUSES SENSATION.

Now Claimed It Was Her Mother's Lover Miss Archer Shot--Agriculture Board Elects a Secretary--Oil Trust in a Coal Deal--A Brave Act Rewarded--Tramps Must Work--Episcopal Delegates Chosen--Other Live News.

The new State Board of Agriculture completed its first session after an executive session of several hours, during which the election of a successor to Secretary Garvin was taken up and J. C. Thompson, of Keyser, Mineral county, was chosen. A resolution was adopted which favored abolishing the office of State director of farmers institute at the expiration of Director D. M. Sallivan's term of office, October 1. However, if that is not done, Mr. Sallivan *will be retained*.

Last Sunday, while Miss Della Archer was examining a pistol belonging to Daniel Spencer, the weapon was discharged and Spencer was shot dead. Spencer was the affianced of Della's sister Martha, and Spencer declared before his death that the girl was blameless. Relatives of Spencer had Miss Archer arrested, charged with murder. They allege that she was not Martha's sister, but her daughter, and that her identity had been kept concealed since birth. They assert that Spencer had been attentive to both, and that Della was *jealous of Spencer since* his proposal to marry Martha. They allege that the young woman made threats against Spencer. The arrest has caused a great sensation, as all the parties are prominent.

It was unofficialy announced at Bluefield that the Flat Top Land Association is about to dispose of its holdings in the Pocahontas coal field to the Standard Oil Company for $13,000,000. The Flat Top Association owns the greater part of the land in Mercer, McDowell, Wyoming and Raleigh counties, W. Va., and Tazewell county, Va., *which is underlaid by* Pocahontas seam coal. It is said that the purchasers tried to buy the operations, but failing, bought the lands on which the leases are held.

Miss Lulu Lynch, aged 15 years, shot and killed her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Lynch, wife of John Lynch, at Newberg. The latter was visiting the old home and was seated in a room with her babe on her lap. While Miss Lynch was cleaning out a bureau drawer she came across a self-acting revolver, which she playfully pointed toward Mrs. Lynch, saying how easily *she might shoot her*. She pressed a little too hard against the trigger and the weapon discharged, the bullet piercing Mrs. Lynch's heart, killing her instantly.

The Eureka Pipe Line Company has sent to Jacob Gregg, of Blue, Tyler county, a check for $2000 as a voluntary recognition of his bravery. Several years ago he was passing a pump station at Ankrom, when it blew up and caught fire. Mr. Gregg rushed into the burning building and rescued Chas. Duty and an unknown man at the risk of losing his own life. He was horribly burned and for weeks his life was despaired of, but he recovered finally. He succeeded in bringing the two men out alive, but they died after they were taken out from their injuries.

For several years the county jail at Martinsburg has been kept full of tramps taken from the Baltimore and Ohio freight trains passing through the city and sent to jail for from 10 to 30 days for non-payment of fines, and the matter has become a great burden upon the taxpayers of the county. The County Court entered an order directing that such prisoners with ball and chain be sent out into the county and worked eight hours a day until their fines be paid in such labor on the county roads.

In the West Virginia Episcopal Council the following delegates were elected to the general convention of the Church: Clerical, Revs. S. S. Moore, J. Brettingham, John S. Gibson and R. D. Roller. Lay, Joseph Trapnell, W. S. Laidley, J. D. Dubois and Gen. R. D. Spillman. A committee was instructed to take all necessary steps to increase the permanent fund from $20,000 to $50,000 by Ascension Day, 1903, to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of Bishop George W. Peterkin's consecration to the episcopate, which will then occur.

The largest class ever graduated from the High School of Martinsburg were awarded diplomas at the commencement exercises of the school at the Central Opera House. The class was composed of 19 boys and girls. The commencement was quite an important event in the town.

The saloonkeepers of Huntington have formed a trust and already the price of bottled beer has been raised 5 cents a quart.

A company is being rapidly formed to build a large and modern hotel at Berkeley Springs. Charles P. Jack and ex-Senator A. R. Unger are at the head of the project.

Mose Callahan, of Davis, was accidentally killed Thursday in a wreck of *the log train owned by the Babcock* Lumber Company, operating at Ashtola, Pa.

Two hundred inmates of the insane asylums at Spencer and Weston have been taken to the Home for Incurables, at Huntington, owing to the crowded condition of the buildings for the insane. The arrangement is only temporary.

The thirty-first annual session of the West Virginia Educational Association will be held this year at Mountain Lake Park on July 2, 3 and 4. State Superintendent of Schools Miller is the president of the association and Mr. A. J. Wilkinson, of Grafton, is secretary.

Vernon E. Johnson and Miss Willie May Biser, of Berkeley Springs, W. Va., were married Wednesday.

Richard Harr, for many years president of the County Court of Taylor county, W. Va., is dead, aged 94.

Dr. A. H. Kunst has been elected superintendent of the Weston, W. Va., Lunatic Asylum, to succeed Dr. W. E. Stathers.

Arrangements are being made at Piedmont to celebrate the Fourth of July on an extensive scale.

Otto Dugman, of Nestorville, had his leg fractured while working at the Parsons Pulp Mill.

Edward Thomas, of Carversville, was instantly killed while repairing a chimney at the home of W. H. Watson, in that village. Thomas fell a distance of about twenty feet, breaking his neck.

Granville Male, of Barbour county, jumped from a moving train while returning from Grafton and died of his injuries.

Both the Piedmont and Potomac and the Westernport and Cumberland Coal Companies will soon begin the shipment of coal.

The Piedmont postoffice has been thoroughly renovated.

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stocks as to deal in iron or coal or hardware or dry goods. He who condemns all stock dealings as though they were iniquitous simply shows his own ignorance. Stop all legitimate speculation in this country, and you stop all banks, you *stop all factories, you stop all storehouses*, you stop all the great financial prosperities of this country.

Sedate England took its chance in 1720. That was the South Sea bubble. They proposed to transfer all the gold of Peru and Mexico and the islands of the sea to England. Five millions' worth of shares were put on the market at £300 a share. The books open, in a few days it is all taken and twice the amount subscribed.

Excitement following excitement until all kinds of gambling projects came forth under the wing of this South Sea enterprise. There was a large company formed with great capital for providing funerals for all parts of the land. Another company with large capital—£5,000,000 capital—to develop a wheel in perpetual motion; another company, with a capital of £4,000,000 to insure people against loss by servants; another company, with £2,500,000 capital, to transplant walnut trees from Virginia to England; then, to cap the climax, a company was formed for "a great undertaking—nobody to know what it is." And, lo, £600,000 in shares were offered at £100 a share; books were opened at 9 o'clock in the morning and closed at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and the first day it was all subscribed. "A great undertaking—nobody to know what it is!"

An old magazine of those days describes the scene (Hunt's Magazine). It says: "From morning until evening Change alley was full to overflowing with one dense, moving mass of living beings, composed of the most incongruous materials and in all things save the mad pursuit whereof they were employed utterly opposite in their principles and feelings and far asunder in their stations in life and the professions they follow. Statesmen and clergymen deserted their high stations to enter upon this great theatre of speculation and gambling. Churchmen and dissenters left their fierce disputes and forgot their wranglings upon church government in the deep and hazardous game they were playing for *worldly treasures and for riches, which*, if gained, were liable to disappear within an hour of their creation. Whigs and Tories buried their weapons of political warfare, discarded party animosities and mingled together in kind and friendly intercourse, each exulting as their stocks advanced in price and grumbling when fortune frowned upon them. Lawyers, *physicians, merchants and traveling men* forsook their employment, neglected their business, disregarded their engagements to whirl along in the stream, to be at last engulfed in the wild sea of bankruptcy. Females mixed with the crowd, forgetting the station and employment which nature had fitted them to adorn, and dealt boldly and extensively and, like those by whom they were surrounded, rose from poverty to wealth, and from that were thrown down to beggary and want, and all in one short week and perhaps before the evening which terminated the first day of their speculation. Ladies of high rank, regardless of every appearance of dignity and blinded by the prevailing infatuation, drove to the shops of their milliners and haberdashers and there met their stockbrokers, whom they regularly employed and through whom extensive sales were daily negotiated. In the midst of the excitement all distinction of party and religion and circumstances and character were swallowed up."

But it was left for our own country to surpass it all about thirty-seven years ago. We have the highest mountains and the greatest cataracts and the longest rivers, and of course we had to have the largest swindle. One would have thought that the nation had seen enough in that direction during the morous multicaulis excitement, when almost every man had *a bunch of crawling silkworms in his* house, out of which he expected to make a fortune. But all this excitement was as nothing compared with what took place in 1864, when a man near Titusville, Penn., digging a well, struck oil. Twelve hundred oil companies call for a billion of stock. Prominent members of churches, as soon as a certain amount of stock was *assigned them, saw it was their privilege* to become presidents or secretaries or members of the board of direction. Some of these companies never had a foot of ground, never expected to have. Their entire equipment was a map of a region where oil might be and two vials of grease, crude and clarified. People rushed down from all parts of the country by the *first train and put their hard earnings in the gulf.*

A young man came down from the oil region of Pennsylvania utterly demented, having sold his farm at a fabulous price because it was supposed there might be oil there—coming to a hotel in Philadelphia at the time I was living there, throwing a $5000 check to pay for his *noonday meal and saying he did not care* anything about the change! Then he stepped back to the gas burner to light his cigar with a thousand dollar note. Utterly insane!

The good Christian people said, "This company must be all right, because Elder So-and-so is president of it, and Elder So-and-so is secretary of it, and then there are three or four highly respected professing Christians in the board of directors." They did not know that when a professed Christian goes into stock gambling he lies like sin. But alas for the country! It became a tragedy, and a thousand million dollars were swamped. There are families to-day sitting in the shadow of destitution who but for that great national outrage would have had their cottages and their homesteads. I hold up before the young men these four great stock gambling schemes that they may see to what length men will go smitten of this passion, and I want to show them how all the best interests of society are against it and God is against it and will condemn it for time and condemn it for eternity. I do not dwell upon the frenzied speculations in Wall Street last month. You have enough remembrance of that financial horror. I only want you to know that it was in a procession of monetary frenzies, some of which have passed and others are to come.

The Bill Was a Counterfeit.

In a well-known New York restaurant the other evening a youth who had just eaten a substantial meal, assisted by a very pretty girl, was stammering and blushing at the cashier's desk. He had just discovered the loss of *his* pocketbook and money, he said. His watch was gone likewise. The cashier, being suspicious of all mankind, received the tale scornfully, demanded instant satisfaction and threatened to call a policeman. The youth seemed on the verge of collapse and the lady was about to faint when an elderly, well-dressed man bustled up to the desk. "How dare you accuse this gentleman of being a swindler?" he demanded, wrathfully. "I don't know him myself, but I am sure he is honest." Then, handing over a new $10 bill, the elder Samaritan paid the check himself and hurried out.

The grateful youth ran after him. "Oh, thank you," he gasped, "if you'll have your card and I'll send you the money in the morning." "Never mind, dear boy," replied the elderly man, as he boarded a cable car, "don't take the trouble. It was a counterfeit."

Crowded.

Little Mary not long ago heard a phonograph for the first time in her life. She was with her mother shopping at one of the down-town stores. The mother dropped a nickel in the machine and Mary stood listening in ecstasy with her small mouth agape and her eyes filled with wonder. The selection was one of Sousa's band pieces that stirred the little girl's heart from the start to the finish. At the conclusion of the piece Mary removed the tubes from her ears with intense regret that the band had stopped playing. While her mother was busy in another part of the store she walked around the wonderful phonograph surveying it critically. When her mother came to her side she was yet peering about the phonograph box.

"What are you looking for, Mary?" she asked.

"I was [illegible] the band [illegible]," said Mary [illegible]. "They must be awful crowded in there."

COMMERCIAL REVIEW.

General Trade Conditions.

New York (Special).—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:—"While the weather in the East has hampered distributive trade to a considerable extent this week, rendering the season in some lines rather unsatisfactory, the West and South report unchanged conditions, with operations well up to the recent average. The labor situation is a little brighter. Many strikes have been settled and others are expected to terminate shortly.

"Railways are unable to secure sufficient frieght cars and other supplies, while structural work proceeds briskly with little interruption from labor controversies.

"Extended holidays abroad and a short one in this country have tended to make the grain markets unusually quiet, while corn has had the added drawback of hesitation among traders who have not yet recovered from the effects of manipulation in the May option. Foreign purchasers were driven out of this market by inflated quotations, as shown by Atlantic exports in five weeks of only 9,436,285 bushels, against 17,341,065 bushels last year.

"Misfortune has also overwhelmed cotton plantations, according to the pessimistic views circulated by traders and factors who are endeavoring to sustain prices in the face of heavy receipts and unsatisfactory conditions at New England mills, where print cloths have been sharply reduced to 2¾ cents in order to dispose of the accumulation, which is said to reach 2,000,000 pieces.

"Failures for the week numbered 148 in the United States, against 160 last year, and 27 in Canada, against 20 last year."

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Flour.—Best Patent, $4.50a4.75; High Grade Extra, $4.00a4.25; Minnesota bakers, $2.90a3.25.

Wheat.—New York, No. 2, red, 83a83¾c; Philadelphia, No. 2, red, 78a78¾c; Baltimore, 78a79½c.

Corn.—New York, No. 2, 50c; Philadelphia, No. 2, 48a48¼c; Baltimore, No. 2, 47a48c.

Oats.—New York, No. 2, 33c; Philadelphia No. 2 white, 34½a35c; Baltimore, No. 2 white, 33½a34c.

Rye.—New York, No. 2, 61c; Philadelphia, No. 2, 60c; Baltimore, No. 2, 58a59c.

Hay.—The market is easy. We quote: No. 1 timothy, $16.00a16.50; No. 2 timothy, $15.50; No. 3 timothy, $14.50a15.00.

Green Fruits and Vegetables.—Onions, spring, per 100 bunches 50a60c; do, new, Bermuda, per crate, $1.40a1.50; Asparagus, Eastern Shore, per dozen, prime, $1.50a2.00. Cabbage, Charlestown and North Carolina, per crate, 60a75c; do, Norfolk, per bbl., 60a65c. Celery, Florida, per crate, $1.50a2.00. Apples, $2.00a4.00. Green peas, per bushel, 80a90c. Lettuce, native, per bushel box, 20a25c. String beans, Florida, per basket, green, $1.00a1.25; do do, Florida, per basket, wax, $1.00a1.25. Strawberries, per quart, 3a7c.

Potatoes.—White, Maryland and Virginia, prime, per bushel, 70a75c; do, New York, prime, per bushel, 80a85c; do, Michigan and Ohio, per bushel, 75a80c; do, new, Savannah, per bbl, No. 1, $3.50a4.25; do, do do, per bbl, No. 2, $2.00a3.00; do, do, Charleston, per bbl, No. 1, $3.50a4.25; do, do, do, per bbl, No. 2, $2.00a3.00. Sweets, North Carolina, per bbl, prime, $2.50a3.00; do, fancy bright Jerseys, per bbl, $2.75a3.00. Yams, choice, bright, North Carolina, per bbl, $1.25a1.50.

Beans and Peas.—New York marrow, choice hand picked, $2.30a2.35. Blackeye peas, per bushel, choice new $1.75a1.80. Black peas, per bushel, choice new, $1.70. Green peas, per bushel, $1.25. Nearby white beans, hand picked, per bushel, $1.50a2.00.

Butter.—Creamery, 17a18c; factory, 12a13c; imitation creamery, 14a17c; State dairy, 15a18c.

Cheese.—Fancy, large, colored, 10½c; fancy, large, white, 10¼a10½c; fancy, small, colored, 11½c; fancy, small, white, 11¾c.

Eggs.—State and Pennsylvania, 12a13c; Southern, 11a12c; Western storage, 13c.

Provisions.—Bulk shoulders, 8a8¼c; do short ribs, 9½c; do clear sides 9½c; bacon rib sides, 10c; do clear sides, 10¼c; bacon shoulders, 9c. Fat backs, 8½c. Sugar cured breasts, 11½c. Hams.—Small, 11½c; large, 11c; smoked skinned hams, 12½c; picnic hams, 8¾c. Lard.—Best refined, pure, in tierces, 9¼c. Mess pork, per bbl, $16.00.

Hides.—Quote: Green, salted, 6½c; do do, damaged, 6c; green, 6c; do, damaged, 5½c. Bull hides, per lb green, 5½a6c; do do, per lb, green salted, 6c. Goatskins, 15a25c. Calfskins, green salted, 60a80c. Sheepskins, 60a75c.

Live poultry.—Hens, 10c; old roosters, each, 25a30c; spring chickens, 20a27c; winter do, 2 to 2½ lbs, 16a18c. Ducks, 8a9c. Spring ducks, 15a16c. Geese, apiece, 30a45c.

Live Stock.

East Liberty.—Extra, $5.85a5.90; prime, $5.60a5.75; good, $5.30a5.50. Hogs active; prime heavy, $6.05a6.10; mediums, $6.00a6.02½; best heavy Yorkers, $5.95a6.00. Sheep steady; best wethers, $4.30a4.35; choice lambs, $5.25a5.40; common to good, $3.50a5.05; veal calves, $5.50a6.00.

Chicago.—Good to prime steers, $5.45a6.05; poor to medium, $4.40a5.40; cows, $2.85a4.80; heifers, $2.90a2.90; bulls, $3.00a4.40; calves, $4.00a6.15. Hogs.—mixed and butchers', $5.70a5.92½; good to choice heavy, $5.85a5.95. Sheep.—Good to choice wethers, $4.35a4.60. Western sheep, $4.40a4.60; native lambs, $4.00a5.65; Western lambs, $5.00a5.65.

ARMY AND NAVY NOTES.

A cablegram received at the Navy Department from Rear Admiral Krempf announced his arrival at Amoy, China, aboard his flagship, the Kentucky.

The Navy Department received a cablegram from Admiral Remey announcing his departure from Auckland for Wellington, New Zealand, aboard his flagship, the Brooklyn.

Col. Henry Jackson, commanding the Third Cavalry, was placed on the retired list on account of age. He is a native of England, and was appointed to the army from Illinois.

Maj. Louis A. Craig, Fifteenth Cavalry, U. S. A., has been designated as acting superintendent of the Yosemite National Park.

The board appointed to select places for laying up the torpedo-boats has returned to Washington from the North, having on the last trip visited the navy yards at New York, Boston, and Portsmouth, N. H., and the Newport Naval Station. [illegible]

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS:

Old-Time Chests.

Old-time chests are much in evidence in the modern house these days. Happy she who possesses "a really, truly one" as an heirloom. Mahogany black with age is much to be desired, as is the antique richly carved black oak Dutch one. The more metal bound and hasped the better.

How to Wash Stockings.

All kinds of stockings require to be carefully washed. No soda must be used, and the water must be moderately warm both for washing and rinsing.

Lisle thread stockings should be washed in tepid water, using a little soap for the feet only. Rinse in water to which a few drops of liquid ammonia have been added. Dry them quickly, preferably in a good current of air, and press with a warm iron.

Silk stockings should be washed in tepid water with mild soap. Rinse them in several waters. Shake them well and roll them in a cloth to dry after pulling them into shape. When pegging stockings to the clothesline for drying out of doors the feet should always be uppermost.

Uses of Olive Oil.

No household where there are children should be without olive oil, for it is an invaluable medicine in certain cases. For a weakly or rickety child or one who is recovering from typhoid fever salad oil will sometimes work wonders. The plan is to rub in the oil over the whole of the child's body, especially about the upper part, taking a few drops at a time into the palm of the hand. The nourishment thus absorbed through the skin will be of immense service in building up the child's strength. When a child is suffering from a severe cold it is a good plan to omit the daily bath and to rub the back and chest with olive oil. To insure no further cold being caught the child should be wrapped in a blanket and carefully screened from drafts while the rubbing is being done. A threatening of croup often will end in a threatening only if the oil and camphor be applied to the child's chest. The method is to saturate a piece of flannel, sprinkle it with a little powdered camphor and apply it to the chest and throat as warm as it can be borne. Cover with a piece of dry flannel and change as soon as it gets cold.

Hints For Mrs. Just-Married.

A meal should never be announced until everything is in readiness.

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The coffee should be served very hot and with hot milk.

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The glasses should be freshly filled with clear, cold water.

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The dining room should be in perfect order before breakfast is served.

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The plates should be properly heated and placed before the carver.

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The butter should be kept in the refrigerator until the last minute in summer, but kept where it will be soft enough to spread in winter.

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The table should always be so kept as to be ready for a guest with but a moment's notice.

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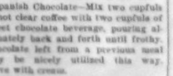
A cotton flannel "silence cloth" not only makes the tablecloth look infinitely handsomer, but preserves the varnished surface from stains from hot dishes.

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A polished table if used must be spotless; it is therefore not desirable for every day use, as there is too much work involved in keeping it in order.

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A sufficient number of knives, forks and spoons should be placed on the table so that nothing need be called for after the family are seated.



Spanish Chocolate—Mix two cupfuls of hot clear coffee with two cupfuls of sweet chocolate beverage, pouring alternately back and forth until frothy. Chocolate left from a previous meal may be nicely utilized this way. Serve with cream.

Mushrooms on Toast—Remove the stems from twelve large, firm mushrooms, peel, put the tops side by side in a baking dish, lay a piece of butter on each, sprinkle with salt and pepper and dust over with flour. Place in a very hot oven till brown. Take up and place on buttered, toasted slices of bread, thicken the gravy in the pan, pour over the toast and serve hot.

Prune Jelly—Wash and cook in one pint of water one-half pound of prunes. When soft add one-quarter of a pound of sugar, the juice of one lemon and a little of the grated rind. Put one-third of a box of gelatin to soak for one hour in two tablespoonfuls of water. Then strain in the juice from the prunes and add half of the pulp of the prunes. Set in chopped ice to harden.

Baked Mush—Stir sufficient corn meal into actually boiling water to make a rather thin gruel, about half a cupful to a pint. Add a third teaspoonful of salt. Boil carefully two or three hours, then turn into a mold. Stand aside over night. When ready to use turn out and cut into slices. place in a shallow baking pan, the bottom of which has been dusted with flour. Dust the mush lightly with salt and pepper; brush the top with egg and put into a quick oven until it is a golden brown.

Shop Assistants' Hours.

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Savors of the Truth.

Little Willie—Say, pa, what's the difference between a genius and a lunatic?

Pa—If there's any difference at all, my son, the odds are in favor of the lunatic. He, at least, is sure of his board and clothes.

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THE HOSPITAL GATE.

[illegible] here listlessly and watch the sun
Creeping along the boards beneath our feet;
[illegible] see the young people—they have flown
All that they may far us. There, from the street,
[illegible] gaze upward at our balcony.
[illegible] the [illegible] and wait.
[illegible] grim night toward expectancy.
Oh, that we, too, were there beyond the gate!
[illegible] like a fortress. (If one could shut out
Suffering, as from the world one shuts it in
[illegible] closed doors!) Here we are walled about
[illegible] apart for pain. Our nearest kin
[illegible] of us, pilgrims, only night and sound.
Twice in a week's time as the rules dictate.
[illegible] of us die before the day comes round.
[illegible] rules are rigid, too, behind the gate!
[illegible] Has the changing gone?
[illegible] of flying feet—and
[illegible] swing open. Soon there in the throng
[illegible]
[illegible] by this gateway to old homes again.
[illegible] by a narrower gateway to the [illegible]
—Caroline Duer, in Collier's Weekly.

A White Carnation.

By Miss Kitty Cox.

He was only a newsboy, and a [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] that, [illegible] under his torn jacket there glowed a spark of chivalry.

One night, when [illegible] was hurrying for her train, [illegible] dropped a bundle of papers from [illegible] he sprang at once to her assistance. With a quick "I'll pick 'em up, miss," he gathered them together and handed them to her with a [illegible] smile.

"Thank you, little fellow," she said. "Won't you have one of my flowers?" and [illegible] from a large bunch of white carnations which she carried she put it into his hand and then passed quickly on.

Bobby gazed at the flower with a look of [illegible] [illegible] changed into a broad smile of delight. "I'll take it home to Maggie," he said. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] and Maggie met him at the door with a face as happy as his own. "Oh, Bobby," she cried eagerly, "I showed Mrs. O'Brien my flower this afternoon, and she said if I kept it in water maybe it would grow roots, because it's got such a long stem and so many leaves to it."

Sure enough, after a few days of careful watching and tending, tiny white roots appeared. Then Maggie filled an old can with earth, and the little plant was gently placed in it.

It grew and flourished, and with it the friendship between Bobby, the flower lady—as he called her—and the young man in the brown [illegible] [illegible]. Every morning Bobby was watching for them, and every evening he stood where they would pass him on their way to the train. There was always some pleasant greeting ready, which brightened Bobby's day and sent him home at night with a cheerful heart.

But one chilly February morning as Bobby stood in his accustomed place he saw the young man come across the street alone. There was a troubled look on his face, and he passed Bobby without even a glance.

A vague fear rose in the boy's heart, and nothing was able to dispel it. His other customers missed the cheery salutation with which he usually greeted them, and more than one looked curiously at the childish face with its preoccupied expression.

On the third day Bobby could endure it no longer. As the young man crossed the street some one stopped directly into the path. He looked down impatiently, but his face changed as he recognized the boy.

"What is it?" he asked quickly, but not unkindly.

"The lady, sir?" Bobby said, falteringly. "Isn't she coming any more?"

"I hope so," said the young man gravely. "But not just now. She is sick, you see, and the doctors say it will be a long time at least before she can come again."

Bobby turned away. The dread in his heart had been put into words, and the direct knowledge, although he had longed for it, was almost more than he could bear.

At last, just a week from the morning when he had first heard the sad news, as Bobby stood at his post he saw the young man coming across the street, with a face so white and set and stamped with terrible [illegible] that [illegible] Bobby's heart stood still. Then, as the young man came close to him, he stopped [illegible] and laid his hand on the brown [illegible]

"The boy spoke so weak, but the voice [illegible] the [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] and said in a low, choked voice: 'She died this morning. I am going back to [illegible].'"

Bobby's hand dropped from the young man's arm. For a moment he stood [illegible] [illegible] by the words he had just heard. Then, regardless of his unsold papers, he turned and walked slowly back to the old tenement, he [illegible] but half an hour before.

Maggie started with surprise as he came in, but one glance at his grief-stricken face told her the whole story.

"The lady. Bobby?" she gasped. [illegible]

"She's dead," said Bobby, dropping into the nearest chair and laying his head on the old table. "[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] I'll never see her again, and [illegible] to anything for her!" [illegible] [illegible] Maggie was [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] some moments. Then suddenly turning, she went into the second of the two little rooms.

When she returned she carried the old can in which they had planted the carnation. It now held a sturdy plant, and bearing itself proudly aloft on its slender stem was a beautiful blossom.

"See, Bobby," she said, laying her hand on the bowed head. "I've been keeping it for a surprise for you, but you shall have it for the lady. Perhaps the young man can take it to her."

Bobby looked up. Motionless he looked at the flower, then sprang quickly to his feet. "He said he'd go back in an hour. I shall just have time," he exclaimed.

Quickly and tenderly the carnation was cut from its stalk and wrapped in white paper. Then only stopping to kiss Maggie in a way that told the gratitude he could not speak, Bobby bounded down the stairs and raced away toward the station. He was only just in time, for as he sped around the last corner he saw the brown coated [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] rushed after him and attracted him at the gates.

"It's for her, sir," he gasped, holding out the precious white parcel. "It grew from the one she gave me that day. It's all I could get, but I'd like it to go to her."

The young man took the flower silently. For the first time that day tears filled his eyes, and he stood fighting back the emotion that threatened to overpower him.

Then, looking down into the wistful, childish face upturned to him, he said gently: "It shall be put into her hand."

And Bobby was satisfied.—[illegible] Times.

MOTHER SHIPTON DIDN'T SAY SO

Information For a Correspondent Who Asks About Her Prophecy.

A correspondent writes to the New York Sun to ask for information concerning the so-called "prophecy of Mother Shipton." What is commonly spoken of as Mother Shipton's prophecy is a piece of doggerel which was first printed about 1862. It is as follows:

> Carriages without horses shall go,
> And accidents fill the world with woe.
> Around the earth thoughts shall fly
> In the twinkling of an eye.
> [illegible]

[illegible] of Brighton, England. For a number of years it was supposed by many that it was what it purported to be, namely, a prophecy uttered by Mother Shipton in the first half of the sixteenth century. Several persons, however, cast doubts on its authenticity, and in April, 1873, Hindley wrote to Notes and Queries and, to use the words of that periodical, "made a clean breast of having fabricated the prophecy."

There is some doubt as to whether there ever was a Mother Shipton. The Century Encyclopedia says she was born near Knaresborough in Yorkshire, in July, 1488, and died about 1559. It also says in regard to her that she was "a half mythical English prophetess, baptized Ursula Southiel," who married Tony Shipton, a builder. Other authorities say she was probably wholly mythical. Various other prophecies of less interest than the one quoted are attributed to her.

Rats Can Swim.

"Swim?" said the old fisherman, in answer to a question about rats. "Well, I should say they could swim; and dive, too, like good fellows. Wharf rats swim from wharf to wharf, and I have seen them dive in four or five feet of water.

"I have in mind a wharf that was built upon cribs, to which fishing boats used to make fast to land their fish. Sometimes boats would throw overboard small, waste fish, that were of no use, fish weighing maybe three or four ounces apiece. There were rats living in the cribwork of this wharf, and when there were any of these waste fish around they would come out to get them. You would see a rat poke his head out from between two logs of a crib and look down in the water. If he saw a fish there he would make a dive for it, straight to the bottom, and get his teeth in it and rise with it to the top of the water, then scramble back with it into the cribwork again to eat it.

"Can rats swim? Well, I should say they could."—Los Angeles Times.

His Not-[illegible] Programme.

"My idea," said the ambitious young author, "is to write a historical novel."

"Yes?"

"And, of course, a magazine article showing how I came to write the historical novel."

"Yes?"

"Then to dramatize the historical novel."

"Yes."

"Then to write a magazine article showing how I came to dramatize the historical novel."

"Yes."

"Then to dramatize the magazine article."

"Ah."

"And to write a magazine article showing how I came to dramatize the [illegible] magazine article."

"Good!"

"Then to dramatize the second magazine article."

"Excellent! Excellent!"

"And then to write——"

"Sh! I understand the [illegible] The programme of the public will [illegible] for it?"—Puck.

[illegible] of His Majesty.

King Leopold of Belgium is perhaps the most skillful of royal gardeners and is said to be prouder of the lovely gardens and greenhouses of Laeken which are the products of his skill and care, than of any other of his many possessions.

MRS. KENNEDY FOUND GUILTY.

Convicted of Murder in the Second Degree at Kansas City.

TEN YEARS IN THE PENITENTIARY.

Calmly the Girl-Widow Convicted of Killing Her Husband Receives the Verdict—Her Mother and Sister Sob Violently But She Sheds Not a Tear—An Appeal Will Be Taken.

Kansas City, Mo. (Special).—A jury in the Criminal Court here decided that Lulu Prince-Kennedy was guilty of murder in the second degree for having killed her husband, Philip H. Kennedy, on January 10, 1901, and fixed her punishment at 10 years in the penitentiary. When the verdict was read the remarkable 20-year-old prisoner, whose cool, indifferent manner has for five months baffled [illegible] officials, looked straight ahead [illegible] her. She [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] nothing more, in the formal calling by the court clerk of the cases pending against her father, G. W. Prince, and her brothers, Bert and Will Prince, who are charged with conspiring to kill Kennedy.

While Judge Wofford was dismissing the jurors who had sat on the case for twelve days and reached their verdict after eleven hours' deliberation, the prisoner sat with her chin resting on her hand. A reporter asked if she had anything to say. Mrs. Kennedy ignored the question and continued to look at the judge. When Mrs. Kennedy had been taken into a little room adjoining the courtroom and the crowd was beginning to leave, a chorus of sobs and moans was heard. They came from Mrs. Prince, mother of the prisoner, and Mrs. Leon, the girl's sister. C. W. Prince, the father, was trying to pacify them while Bert Prince paced up and down the corridor, sobbing and wringing his hands. Lulu Kennedy sat thoughtful and silent, gazing fixedly before her. Taken to her cell she maintained her calm manner. She refused to discuss the verdict.

C. W. Prince has shown not the least emotion and only displayed great interest in the proceedings when the case against him and his sons was called.

FOUR KILLED BY TRAIN.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Big [illegible]

[illegible] (Special).—General William Montgomery Gardner, a veteran of the Mexican and Civil Wars, died here, aged 78 years. He was a native of Augusta, Ga., and was graduated from the Military Academy at West Point in the class of 1846. In the battle of Contreras, in Mexico, August 20, 1847, young Gardner, then a lieutenant, stormed a battery of 12-pounders, casemated, with a single platoon of American soldiers, taking the guns and winning the plaudits of McClellan, Beauregard and other officers. In a bloody encounter at Cherubusco a few days later General Gardner was severely wounded.

General De Wet in a Big Fight.

London (By Cable).—Lord Kitchener reports to the War Office from Pretoria as follows:

"During the march from Vrede General Elliott's column engaged De Wet near Reitz on June 6. After severe fighting they captured 71 loaded wagons, 45 prisoners, 98 rifles, 10,000 rounds of ammunition and 4000 cattle. The Boers left 17 killed and 3 wounded. Our casualties were 3 officers and 17 men killed, and 1 officer and 24 men wounded."

Uncle Shoots Nephew.

Swainsboro, Ga. (Special).—John Stroud and Thomas Mosley, uncle and nephew, respectively, also brothers-in-law, fought an impromptu duel near here, as a result of which Mosley is dead. Stroud reproached Mosley for circulating false stories about him. The quarrel grew bitter. Mosley drew a pistol, and Stroud reached behind a stump and got a double-barreled shotgun. As Mosley fired his pistol Stroud sent a load of shot into his chest. Stroud surrendered to the authorities.

Three Men Killed by Lightning.

Allegan, Mich. (Special).—During the progress of a terrible electrical storm which passed over Allegan county, the barn of Sullivan Case, near Scott Lake, was struck by lightning and burned. The charred remains of Case were found in the ruins. John Yerger and his son, James, of Mill Grove, were killed by lightning, having sought refuge from the storm in a barn. Much damage to crops was done.

Stop Picketing Enjoined.

Cleveland, O. (Special).—The Cleveland Punch and Shear Company commenced injunction proceedings against the striking machinists, asking that the men be restrained from picketing the works of the company. The company in its petition avers that the union pickets have intimidated employees who wish to work. The case will be heard Tuesday.

Boy Probably Kidnapped.

Dallas, Tex. (Special).—E. D. Strong, of Texarkana, has given his seven-year-old son up as a victim to kidnappers. The boy was put on a railroad train at Waco on June 1 to be sent home, a distance of 250 miles. Parents and friends have not heard from him since.

Wireless Telegraphy.

London (By Cable).—The steamer Lucania, the first of the Cunard steamers to be fitted with the Marconi system of wireless telegraphy, made communication with the shore when 50 miles from Liverpool.

Australian Relief for Labor.

[illegible] (Special).—[illegible] [illegible] have been appointed by the Government [illegible] a commission to draw up the electoral law. It is probable that the Australian system will be adopted. The commissioners are studying the New York law as a basis.

[illegible]

[illegible]

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

Domestic.

A dramatic break for liberty was [illegible] at the Virginia penitentiary while Governor Tyler and others were making an official visit. As a reward for bravery shown by H. Quinney Bailey, a convict, in stopping a burly [illegible] convict, Governor Tyler pardoned him.

The Detroit Branch of the Machinists has protested to the president of the University of Michigan against Detroit employers hiring undergraduates of the university to take the place of strikers.

The Ohio Steel Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, has asked for an injunction to restrain members of the Ironmolders' Union from interfering with the works.

[illegible] T. Hudgins, of Portsmouth, Va., is on trial in that city on the charge of abducting Mrs. Nannie Barnes from Granville, N. C. He denies the charge.

John Czech killed Kazmir Kochan in a quarrel about five cents, and was barely saved by the police from being lynched.

Capt. John W. Brechtol, who served during the war in Cole's Cavalry, died at his home in Berkeley Springs, W. Va.

The Union Traction Company of Philadelphia will contest in court the legality of the recent rapid transit ordinances.

A destructive cloudburst caused considerable damage in Harrisonburg, Va., and flooded the town.

The Supreme Lodge, Knights of Honor, decided to hold the next annual meeting in Cleveland.

The decennial of the founding of the University of Chicago was celebrated at that institution.

E. C. Osborn, treasurer of Princeton University, died at his home in Princeton, N. J.

[illegible] Bronson, who was hazed at Lehigh University, resigned and left the [illegible]

John [illegible], a policeman, was shot and killed by burglars at Mahanoy City.

Vice Chancellor Stevens, sitting in Newark, N. J., denied the application for an injunction to restrain the Amalgamated Copper Company from purchasing the Butte and Boston and the Boston and Montana Companies.

Judge [illegible] W. Harrison, in the Circuit Court at Winchester, Va., awarded to the [illegible] Thomas S. Wheelwright his [illegible] the mother had attempted [illegible]

The Southern Industrial Convention adopted a resolution recommending to Congress the creation of an expert commission to have charge of river and harbor improvements.

The United States transport Ingalls capsized while being arranged for the dry dock at Erie Basin, Brooklyn. [illegible] man was killed and many [illegible]

[illegible] Bracewell announced the [illegible] committees to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia.

[illegible] Wise, of the Union Lead [illegible] Company, in announcing that the other interests had secured control of the American Linseed Oil Company, stated that the agreement between his company and the [illegible] was non-operative.

[illegible] authorities have notified the Montreal police to arrest [illegible] the husband of the woman whose headless body was found recently, it having been reported that he is in the vicinity of Montreal.

John Wanamaker has offered the city of Philadelphia $2,500,000 for the franchises granted and intended to be granted for street railways by 14 ordinances of Council now awaiting the mayor's approval.

Foreign.

Lord Kitchener reports that General Elliott engaged De Wet on June 6, and the British captured 45 prisoners and 4000 cattle. Three British officers and 17 men were killed.

F. W. Holls, the United States member of The Hague arbitration court, announces that the court has been organized, but the Transvaal War question is not before it.

A number of children were injured in a crush in front of the king's palace in Rome during the ceremonies of christening the infant daughter of the king and queen.

Berlin newspapers report that Field Marshall von Waldersee will be created a prince by Emperor William on his return from China.

Labor riots have again broken out at St. Petersburg. The military suppressed the mobs.

A Russian cruiser and other vessels together with government buildings and warehouses, were destroyed by fire and 12 lives lost at the Galleys Island shipyard, near St. Petersburg.

Speaker Henderson, of the House of Representatives, formed a most agreeable impression of President Loubet of France, who received him most cordially.

M. Drumont, anti-Semite, in the French Chamber of Deputies, bitterly attacked the government in connection with the administration of Algeria.

The German government is organizing an expedition of coal miners in the Rhine Province to exploit the coal mines in the Shan Tung Province.

Fifteen persons were killed and 40 injured, the latter nearly all women, by an explosion in a cartridge factory in France.

English census returns show that there are 15,721,728 males in England and Wales and 16,804,347 females.

Sir David Barbour, who was sent by the British Government to report upon the question of revenue of the Transvaal and Orange River Colonies, and how much they should contribute to the cost of the war, is in favor of a 10 per cent. tax upon the profits of the mines.

Mail advices from New Guinea tell of the massacre of Revs. James Chalmers and B. F. Tompkins, missionaries, and 14 natives by cannibals. The missionaries were devoured.

Financial.

[illegible], Pa., has voted against the proposed issue of $[illegible] bonds.

The Calumet & Hecla Company has declared a quarterly dividend of $[illegible] a share.

The New York sub-treasury [illegible] [illegible] the banks have lost $[illegible] since June 14.

The Southern Railway Company has purchased the [illegible] Machine Works at [illegible], Ala.

It is said there is every indication of good crops and 10 per cent. more traffic than at present all over the [illegible] Pacific territory.

[illegible] Pacific gross earnings for [illegible] show an increase of $[illegible] and a net increase of $[illegible]

It is said that a deal is on between the Western Union and the American Telegraph and Telephone Company.

The Old Dominion Steamship Company has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. [illegible]

[illegible]

WEST BADEN HOTEL DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Three Hundred People Have Narrow Escape in Indiana.

SCENES OF WILDEST CONFUSION.

Not Certain That All the Guests and Employes Escaped, as the Register and All Records Were Destroyed—Fire Breaks Out Early in the Morning, and in a Few Minutes Sweeps Through the Large Frame Building.

West Baden, Ind. (Special).—The Mineral Springs Hotel, at this place, is a mass of ruins after one of the most disastrous hotel fires in the history of the country. The flames broke out at 1 o'clock a. m., while nearly 300 people were asleep in the building. The scene during the next hour was one of the wildest confusion, but seemingly by a miracle no lives were lost.

In less than two hours after the flames were discovered the hotel had been burned to the ground. The loss is about half a million.

There were 225 people registered at the hotel. The employes sleeping in the building made the number in the hotel at the time of the fire nearly 300. The large frame structure burned so rapidly that those in the building had difficulty in escaping. The hotel guests and others, aroused from sleep, were forced to leave the building without their clothes. Many screamed forth into the street in their night clothes. Hundreds were also barefooted.

Those staying at the hotel lost their trunks and everything in their rooms, as practically nothing was saved.

Scenes of the wildest confusion marked the progress of the flames. Women rushed to the balconies which surrounded the hotel and jumped to the ground. Those who occupied inside rooms rushed down the stairs. Many fainted from excitement. On the [illegible] in the chill night air and rain several hundred people in their night clothes were huddled for hours. During the early morning many wealthy persons begged from door to door for wraps and clothing of any description.

The Mineral Springs Hotel at West Baden was erected 12 years ago and contained 700 rooms. The owners recently refused $1,000,000 for the hotel, springs and grounds.

Two Killed by a Tornado.

Memphis, Texas (Special).—A tornado passed across the northwestern part of Hall county and completely demolished the homes of W. R. Moore and a man named Wickson. Wickson's family escaped to a dugout and were unhurt, but two children of Moore were killed outright. Moore was seriously injured, and Tom Martin, a neighbor, who was at Moore's house, was probably fatally injured. Mrs. Moore escaped to the dugout with her infant and was unhurt.

Two Women Seek Death.

Pana, Ill. (Special).—Ten days ago Mrs. Otis Price attempted suicide by taking a large quantity of concentrated lye. Heroic efforts saved her life. Thursday her sister-in-law, Mrs. Chas. Price, [illegible] [illegible] by taking arsenic. The case is a very strange one. The women were very intimate, almost continually together. Mrs. Price says she will yet succeed in killing herself, as she has nothing to live for. Neighbors say the women wanted to leave their families and live together.

Cashier Commits Suicide.

Cleveland, Ohio (Special).—George Baird, local cashier for the New York Life Insurance Company, committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas in his room, at 30 Lincoln avenue. Baird, who is about 35 years of age, came here from Newark, N. J., where he was connected with the above company. His relatives live in Montreal. The officials of the insurance company say that so far as now known Baird's accounts are all right.

Rival to Steel Trust.

Philadelphia (Special).—It is rumored that British interests are buying up the independent steel plants of the country in order to form a rival to the United States Steel Corporation formed by Morgan. It is said that options on a number of independent plants have already been secured. The report has arisen from the recent rumors of coming changes in the Pennsylvania Steel Company and Bethlehem Company.

ACCEPTS PLATT AMENDMENT.

The Cuban Convention Takes It Without Qualification.

Havana (Special).—The Cuban Constitutional Convention has accepted the Platt amendment by a vote of 16 to 11. The resolution to accept was carried without discussion. Immediately after the opening of the session Senores Tamayo, Villuendas and Quesada, constituting a majority of the committee on relations, submitted as a substitute for the committee's former report the Platt amendment as passed by Congress, recommending that it be accepted and made an appendix to the Constitution. In the vote on the resolution all delegates present divided as follows:

In favor of acceptance—Senores Capote, Villuendas, Jose M. Gomez, Tamayo, Monteagudo, Delgado, Betancourt, Giberga, Llorente, Quesada, Sanguily, Nunez, Rodriguez, Berriel, Quiles and Ferrer.

Opposed to acceptance—Senores Zayas, Aleman, Eudaldo Tamayo, Juan Gualberto Gomez, Cisneros, Silva, Fortun, Lacret, Portuondo, Castro and Manduley.

Senores Rivera, Corvisio, Gener and Robau were absent.

The latter two voted against acceptance in the previous division. Senor Ferrer voted with the Conservatives, explaining his change of attitude by asserting that he believed acceptance would be the best solution of the problem.

The convention will now appoint a commission to draw up the electoral law.

MISSIONARIES KILLED AND EATEN.

Revs. James Chalmers and B. F. Tompkins Devoured by Cannibals.

Victoria, B. C. (By Cable).—From New Guinea news was received via Sydney of the massacre of Revs. James Chalmers and B. F. Tompkins and 14 native teachers by cannibals. The whites were eaten. The place of the cannibal orgy was seen by the troops sent out to investigate the massacre, and a portion of the jaw and thigh bones of the missionaries were found, together with their hats and portions of trousers which belonged to Chalmers. The expedition punished the natives, destroying their villages and canoes.

Some prisoners taken during an attack made by the natives on the troops, told the tale of the massacre and cannibalism.

$15,000,000 GROCERY COMPANY.

Largest Certificate of Incorporation Ever Granted in West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va. (Special).—The largest certificate of incorporation ever issued under the corporation tax laws of West Virginia was issued by the State of West Virginia to the Bear Grocery Company. The business is to manufacture and to carry on a large wholesale grocery business and to manufacture, pack and ship goods in any domestic or foreign trade.

The amount of the total authorized stock of the corporation is $15,000,000. The incorporators reside in the city of Wheeling. The new company is building an eight-story building in Wheeling, W. Va., where it will conduct business.

New [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Lincoln, Ill. (Special).—The James Millikin University, to be composed of Lincoln College and the Decatur Industrial College, was organized here on the occasion of the thirty-fourth and final commencement of Lincoln University. A. R. Taylor has resigned as president of the State Normal College at Emporia, Kan., and will come this summer to accept the presidency and complete the new organization. The new university is named for James Millikin, of Decatur, who has given over $150,000 to the endowment. Dr. W. J. Darby, of Evansville, Ind., was elected president of the board, composed of 15 members from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of the synods of Illinois, Indiana and Iowa.

Merrimac Hero Badly Hurt.

Honolulu, via San Francisco (Special).—The battleship Oregon arrived here May 30, bound from the Orient to San Francisco. As she was dropping her anchor off port the chain broke, seriously injuring Chief Boatswain J. E. Murphy, one of the men who helped Hobson sink the Merrimac at Santiago. One leg was broken, and Murphy was dashed against some machinery, receiving a dangerous gash on the head.

FERRY BOAT SUNK IN A COLLISION.

Lives Lost in Terrible Accident in New York Harbor.

MANY PEOPLE LEAPED OVERBOARD.

Over a Hundred Dragged Out of the Water by the Crews of Steam Tugs and People Along the Shore—The Sidewheeler Northfield Rammed by the Steel Propeller Mauch Chunk Just Off the Staten Island Ferry Slip.

New York (Special).—The wooden side-wheeler Northfield, which has been in the service of the Staten Island Ferry Company for the past 18 years, was rammed by the steel-hulled propeller Mauch Chunk, used as a ferryboat by the Central Railroad of New Jersey. The collision occurred just off the Staten Island ferry slip at the foot of Whitehall street, and in less than ten minutes afterwards the Northfield, which was crowded with passengers, sank at the outer end of the Spanish Line pier in the East river.

The Mauch Chunk, which was badly damaged, landed the five dozen passengers who were aboard of her. Over a hundred of the passengers of the sunken Northfield were dragged out of the water by people along shore and the crews of the fleet of river tugs, which promptly responded to the ferryboat's call for help. A few of the Northfield's passengers were hurt in the accident, and the police believe that some lives were lost.

Captain Daniel Gully, of the tugboat Mutual, who saw the ferryboats crash together, says that immediately after the collision between twenty-five and thirty of the passengers leaped into the water and that many of these perished. Captain Gully also declares that he is sure over a hundred of the Northfield's passengers were drowned. The captains of other tugboats who were early on the scene, however, are inclined to think that the disaster was not so serious as regards the loss of life. Thus far no dead bodies have been recovered.

The reason for such a difference of opinion as to the extent of the disaster is that the wildest excitement prevailed on the Northfield. The tug Mutual saved in all about 75 persons from the Northfield, and the tugs Unity and Arrow saved between them 150 persons. Two policemen of the Old Slip Station claim to have rescued nearly 30 people between them.

As soon as the crowd which followed the sinking ferryboat along the river front were able to render any aid they worked with a will and in many instances men sprang into the water to save life. The greatest service was rendered by the tugboats, which, as soon as it was possible, circled around the Northfield and made a bridge to the Spanish Line pier, and men and women clambered over the tugs to the shore.

FASTEST BATTLESHIP AFLOAT.

The Big Illinois Is the Finest of Uncle Sam's Warships—Successful Trial.

Boston (Special).—With the proud distinction of being the fastest battleship in America and the speediest of her class in the world, the new sea fighter Illinois [illegible] [illegible] from Cape Ann to Cape Porpoise and returned to [illegible] under the [illegible] [illegible] of United States naval representatives and established a new record by maintaining an average speed of 17.31 knots for four consecutive hours.

Not only did she demonstrate that she was faster than any warship of her size afloat, but she proved her ability to turn upon an enemy with extraordinary quickness by describing a complete circle within 300 yards, or little more than twice her length, in three minutes and ten seconds, while plowing through the sea at full speed.

Steadiness and reserve power characterized the performance of the ship throughout the severe test. The work of her engines was smooth, and even the records of the day showed but one-tenth of a knot difference between the northern run and the return. The machinery easily met every requirement and not an accident of any kind marred the success of the day.

Rear Admiral Evans, who acted as president of the trial board, as well as the other naval officers who participated in the trial, were thoroughly pleased with the new champion, and as she steamed back to her anchorage with a broom at her masthead, the officials of the Newport News Shipbuilding Company, whose three years of labor had reached such a happy climax, were enthusiastically congratulated.

The completed figures for the entire 66 knots gave 3.48.46 elapsed time and the average speed 17.31 knots per hour. Tidal corrections may make slight alterations in these figures, but the chances are not likely to affect the result materially.

FIVE DIE ON ONE GALLOWS.

Negroes Pay Penalty of Their Crime in Georgia—"Knights of the Archer."

Sylvania, Ga. (Special).—Five negroes, named Augustus Sanders, Davis, Hudson and Baldwin, paid the penalty of their crime here. All five were hanged on one gallows at this place. At 12.20 the drop fell. The necks of four were broken by the fall. The fifth died of strangulation.

The crime for which [illegible], Sanders, Davis, Hudson and Baldwin were hanged was the murder of two young white men, Pliment Harrington and Milton Mears. The negroes were members of an organization known as the "Knights of the Archer." When Mears and Harrington, in company with officers of the law, tried to arrest a negro they were fired upon from ambush, apparently a dozen guns, and [illegible] Mears fell dead in his tracks.

Found Out a Big Pearl.

Chicago (Special).—H. Deakin, an art dealer, has a pearl, taken from the Mississippi river recently by a [illegible] fisherman, which weighs 103 grains. Mr. Deakin is said to have refused $[illegible] for the gem. It is said that the pearl was bought from the fisherman for $[illegible].

[illegible] of Alabama Dead.

Montgomery, Ala. (Special).—Wm. J. Samford, governor of Alabama, died at Tuscaloosa, where he has been ill for some time. Disease of the heart was the real cause of death.

Conditions in Samoa.

San Francisco, Cal. (Special).—[illegible] B. F. Tilley, U. S. N., governor of the United States possessions in Samoa, who has just arrived here on leave of absence, discussing the conditions there, said: "The natives are now happy and contented. When I was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]"

PEOPLE HURT BY FALLING STAND

TERRIBLE CRASH OF TROLLEY CARS

A Serious Accident Sadly Ends an Athletic Exhibition in Chicago—Six Injured.

Chicago (Special).—A temporary grand stand at Sixty-eighth street and Stewart avenue, built for the purpose of accommodating an audience to witness the annual field day sports of the Chicago Normal Schools, collapsed. Twenty-five persons, mostly women and children, were injured. Several were hurt seriously, but it is thought none will die.

The stand, which was 100 feet long and seven tiers high, was crowded. The program of the day was fairly under way, when on account of the general stamping of feet in recognition of a meritorious athletic accomplishment, the supports gave way, precipitating the spectators a short distance to the ground. Several hundred persons were buried under the timbers.

The field events came to an abrupt ending and the participants joined in the work of rescue. The injured were removed to the Normal School nearby, which was converted into a temporary hospital, with a score of physicians and surgeons in attendance.

Five Persons Seriously Hurt and Others Injured in a Collision in Rhode Island.

River Point, R. I. (Special).—Two of the Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company's trolley cars collided head on in this village and five persons were seriously hurt and a number of others bruised and shaken.

The collision was between an open car and a big vestibule car. The open car partly telescoped the closed one, demolishing the front vestibule. The open car escaped injury, as did its occupants, with the exception of the motorman.

J. H. Fiske, motorman on the other car, had both legs broken; A. B. Andrews, conductor of the same car, had both legs broken and his hand hurt; Michael Nolan, of Centreville, a passenger, had both legs broken and sustained other injuries; Henry C. Johnson, another passenger, had both knee caps broken, and Eugene Capron, motorman of the open car, was cut and bruised about the head and face.

The Oregon Needs Extensive Repairs.

San Francisco (Special).—It is estimated that the repairs to the Oregon, which has just arrived from the Orient, rendered necessary by the damage sustained when she was wrecked in the Gulf of Pechili, will require about six months on the dry dock and cost fully $[illegible].

De Wet Coming to America.

Berlin (By Cable).—Andries De Wet, the Boer leader, says he is going to the United States in the middle of July to lecture.

Cartridge Plant Blown Up.

Paris (By Cable).—An explosion in a cartridge factory situated in the suburb of [illegible] has resulted in the loss of fifteen lives and the injuring of about twenty persons. The victims were horribly mutilated. A majority of those injured were women.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for Perjury.

Omaha, Neb. (Special).—[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Dragged in a Signal Tower.

Shamokin, Pa. (Special).—[illegible] [illegible], a young telegraph operator, and Thomas [illegible], a student in telegraphy, report that they were drugged in a block signal system tower of the [illegible], on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, one mile east of here, by two well-dressed strangers, who slipped chloral hydrate into a glass of water of which they drank. The boys became stupefied, and say the men took [illegible] watch and disappeared. The boys were found by an unconscious condition two hours later.

Mrs. McKinley Is Stronger.

Washington (Special).—The improvement in Mrs. McKinley's health continues. She sat up in her rolling chair during the day and chatted and laughed with the President and others of her household. The improvements on the President's house at Canton, Ohio, have been nearly completed and it will be in readiness for occupancy by July 1. If Mrs. McKinley's condition permits her removal by that time she will be taken to her Ohio home, where it is believed the chances for permanent improvement will be greater than in Washington.

FISH STORIES.

[illegible] bass season opened last Sat[illegible], the 15th inst. The mother [illegible] were watching their nests as [illegible] that this year though the [illegible]ning season is well over gen[illegible] by the 15th of June.

[illegible] female bass chooses a bit of [illegible] water near the shore to deposit [illegible] eggs. These "nests" may be [illegible]cted by the silt being worn [illegible] from the stones on the bed [illegible] river. The mother watches [illegible] little ones until they are able [illegible] wim away. She does not let [illegible] neighbors come in and admire [illegible] feel the heft of her babies. If [illegible] appears in sight she makes [illegible] at him which sends him [illegible] in a hurry.

[illegible]hen the bass are watching [illegible] nests they will bite at almost [illegible]thing. Last week this writer [illegible] fishing for chubs for bait for [illegible] fish in some eddy water just [illegible] the mouth of the Johnson [illegible], using fishworms for bait.

He was also taking care of the [illegible]ildren, carrying one in his [illegible] and saying "dont" to a three-[illegible]ar-old at his side. At the first [illegible] a 14 inch bass took the bait [illegible] ran into some willows which [illegible] in the water. He had his [illegible] full but finally worked the [illegible] out into open water.

He was fishing with an eight [illegible]nce steel rod and gave it to his [illegible]ttle girl and she stood leaning [illegible]ck holding to the rod at one end [illegible]hile the fish was fighting at the [illegible]ther. It was a regular tug of war [illegible] the writer was compelled to [illegible] the fish. He put it back in [illegible] water on account of the close [illegible]ason. A measly bass is too litlle [illegible] induce one to brave the terrors [illegible] the law. It would be different [illegible] with a deer. The writer stood at [illegible] same place and caught two [illegible]ther bass, smaller but still very [illegible]espectable members of the bass [illegible]amily. All were returned to the [illegible]ater unhurt, and we hope are now [illegible]ook proof until they become the biggest of their kind. Fishworms are never used in this stream as bait for bass and the only reason these were caught was that the writer happened on some spawning beds where the food was scarce.

Four of us were standing on the abutment of the county bridge one day last week watching an eight inch bass swim over its nest, and discussing the habits of the fish. Wes aw a mud turtle which would have weighed fifteen pounds swimming under the water towards the nest. The bass took the alarm when the enemy was a rod or so distant and darted directly towards the monster. The turtle was swimming with its long rubber-like neck stretched out. The bass dashed right at its head and the turtle stopped and went into its shell. The bass swam round and round that turtle until it hid under the roots of a stump. It was like a dog driving a big cow.

In the world under water the bass have domesticated the suckers and made slaves of them. The sucker has a head something like a hog and hunts its food in much the same way. It will lie on the bottom of the stream and turn up the silt with its snout. A young bass will be in attendance and whenever anything edible is found he swims in and appropriates it.

All families of the first water have suckers to take care of the children while they enter the social whirl of the big pools. There are plenty of bass which do not have the advantages of a wet nurse, and we have figured out that these represent the free silver element.

Our fish stories have not always met with the credence they deserve but we have always found consolation in the story of the sailor who came home and told his mother about having seen fish which could fly. His mother told him plainly that she took no stock in such a fish story as that. He then said that while they were in the Red Sea, they pulled up the the anchor and caught on the flukes was a wheel from one of Pharoh's chariots. "Now, Johnny," said the old lady, "you are telling something your old mammy can believe."

The Attorney-General of this state, Judge Freer, a noted lawyer, has decided that the increase in county free school superintendents' salaries which was provided for by the last legislature is unconstitutional as affecting the present incumbents. The constitution says that no increase in salary can be made in the salary of an official during his term of office. We all know that this raise would go by the board if it was contested. All the superintendents are in sackcloth and ashes, for they do not even know whether they can be elected again or not.

NOTICE.

All persons whose [illegible] upon the public roads of this county [illegible] to set them back at the [illegible] of the road superintendents [illegible] any waste of legal proceedings.

By order of the County Court.

RESPECTING STATE LICENSE.

The commission appointed by *Governor Atkinson to consider* and report upon the existing revenue *laws and to suggest changes met* at Charleston and organized but owing to the absence *of some of* its members adjourned to another day.

One of the most necessary amendments to the existing laws is to take the power to regulate licenses in municipal corporations away from the county court.

As it is now the county court has the arbitrary power to defeat the will of the towns. In a majority of the West Virginia counties the court does not take advantage of the absolute power given it by the law. If a town votes for license the court gives it and if against license the council withholds the license.

In all incorporated towns the municipal government is the power that preserves order and makes the town a fit place in which to live. Municipal taxes pay all the bills. The county courts will handicap the towns in their effort to obtain revenue by an arbitrary use of the veto power they hold over the town council.

If there was any power on earth *to stay the sale of intoxicating* liquors we would regard the license *tax as so much blood money, but* national, town and county govern*ments are all ineffectual to prevent* the the sale. We have heard that *one man cleared $12,000 in* Marlinton last year from the sale of *liquor. This figure represents the* sale of some 60 barrels of whiskey and *we are not prepared to say* that it is not true. Speakeasies *would spring up in most unex*pected places, last a week, and *when the law would begin to stir,* the proprietor would silently steal *awao having perhaps made as much* in one week at the illicit trade as *he might have made in honest la*bor in a year. Large amounts are *sold by men who go about with a* hand satchel full of pint bottles. *This sort of illicit* retailing pays the enterprising vender from $20 $30 *per day and is considered* worth taking the slight risk the *traffic entails.*

Our present system puts a price on law-breaking. It induces men to drop their work and become breakers of the law and it is training our young man to swear falsely when called upon to convict them. From what is learned in the grandjury room this epidemic of falseswearing next breaks out in the court-rooms in civil cases and no man's property is safe in law where *there are false witnesses*. This thing of swearing to lies is on the *increase in this county* as any man who frequents law courts can tell you, and we think we can trace it back to the lessons learned in the grandjury rooms.

Licensed houses in towns with a government of their own would be one way of combatting the various evils attendin illicit retailing.

The county court does not derive any income from State licenses. The state government collects $375 for a liquor license, and a town like Marlinton would receive about $1500 and would get some of the sinews of war to fight the evil and would be actually able to buy water. Our water supply and consequently our health depends greatly on the revenue of the town.

We advocate the licensed house as a temperence measure. We hope to be always listed on the side of temperance. You will never see in this paper while it is under this management the invitation of a saloon keeper to deal with him and to "mail him your orders." You will never see the address of liquor dealers who pile up goods in our railroad depots until they look like liquor supply houses. But after careful consideration we have come to the conclusion that the time has come when we must look the evil square in the face and put the trade in the hands of responsible men under $5000 to $10,000 bonds not to violate the law by selling to minors, insane or drunken men.

The Maine law is a temperance law. There the state sells the liquor. The South Carolina law is a temperance law. The nearest we can come to emulating those progressive states in the work of temperance is to put the trade in the hands of men under heavy penal bonds.

The consolation that one receives whenever he tries to take a practical view of the the evil is to be reminded that all we need do is to make the officers of the law do their duty. This is an iridescent dream. You might as well tell them to remove mountains, for they cannot stop the traffic. Sometimes a particularly active and successful man is [illegible] for a public office and he [illegible] the [illegible] of the trade for a time, but the average official is ordinary flesh and blood and his best is all we can [illegible]

expect of him, and that is not sufficient.

A large number of bills have been introduced in the legislature from time to time to allow incorporated towns to regulate the trade to suit themselves without the assistance of the county board but they have all been defeated. The Republicans said plainly that this power in the county *court of a Re*publican county kept the liquor element in check and *they did not* dare to oppose the Republican party if they *expected to get li*cense from a Republican court Other Republicans said *that if* it took such means to carry a county *they had better let it go and do* the right thing. Enough strength *has always been brought to bear,* however, to defeat any measure *changing the present law.*

NEXT YEAR.

The county election next year will be as important in the number of offices to be filled as the one held last year and in this respect it can hardly be called on off year. We elect Clerk of County Court, Clerk of Circuit Court, Legislator, Commissioner of County Court and Free School Superintendent. It is the first time that *so many* county offices have come on to be filled in the off year.

We sincerely hope that the *Democratic party will see* that good men are nominated for these *places, for the time has come when* the success of the party in this *county depends on the kind of* men we put up. We hold no vendor's *lien on the county.*

One thing we want to avoid if *possible is a hot fight for the nom*ination. These bone-smashing *campaigns of ours for the nomina*tions is what is playing hob with *the party in this county*. We cannot disrupt the party in the sum*mer with a fierce fight over* the nominations and expect its mem*bers to stand side by side in the* fall.

Take the County Commissioner for instance. Tois office will have *to be filled from Edray (Rep) or* Greenbank (Dem) districts. If *the Democrats get wild and nomi*nate poor material because some *good man refuses to stand for it,* and the Republicans nominate *some good business man, like Geo* P, or S. B. Moore or A. E. Smith, *in Edray district, the Democrats* will see their candidate beaten and *Pocahontas will be a empire in* spite of all we can do. The time *has come when we are obliged to* put up the better man or be beaten.

What we want in the way of candidates are men fit for the *places they are named for and who* can be nominated without dividing the party. Conventions and primaries have both about played out in this county *so far as insuring* harmony is concerned, and how *we are to keep peace in the party* is what is disturbing the Democrats of this county.

There are so many old grievances, so many leaders are going around with chips on their shoulders hunting trouble that we may have an interesting time of it for a few campaigns.

BRUFFEYS CREEK.

Hello, Mr Editor, and still it rains.

Farmers are busy plowing and hoeing corn.

*Geo Kinnison and wife have re*turned home from an extended trip to Elkins.

Old Mrs Belle was at Lobelia some days ago.

Dr McClintic was here some days ago buying timber.

Bryan Hill and *Jess Thorp*, the two well known loggers, are now logging for D. M. Kennison, on Bruffeys Creek. They move about from tree to tree with two Simons and *four* poll axes and cut from ten to twenty thousand feet in a day.

D. A. Thorp *says he is going to* leave this country and go to Tom Vaughan's.

Martin Boblett was here last week.

Gene Kennison is about to go to *Hills Creek*,

Thorp Bros are about done planting corn.

Bryan Hill was seen near Lobelia last week.

J. B. Grimes is hauling staves for W. J. Barry.

Harper Anderson is going to Hill's Creek to look out a location.

T. R. Vaughn is on the sick list.

John Boblett says McKinley cut worms are plentiful in his corn field and their teeth are good.

FAREWELL.

PINCKNEY.

Miss Sallie McLaughlin is visiting friends at Dunmore this week.

George Houlihan has been very sick with quinsy for some time but we are glad to say she is some better at this writing.

Miss Katie Hicks and her brother were the guests of Misses Martha and Molly Pruitt one day last week.

John Pruitt and wife spend a few days with their mother, Mrs John C Pruitt, recently.

Mrs H A Armstrong and little daughter visited friends in Big Valley recently.

Rev Stewart Ryder preached a very interesting sermon at Wesley Chapel Sunday last.

YANKEE GIRL.

THE NEW AND THE OLD.

We have been requested by one *of our readers who has been fol*lowing the accounts in this paper *as to the railroad to give the towns* that the several depots supply so *that the relation of the new towns* to the old may be determined.

Little Sulphur is the nearest depot to Lewisburg.

Keister is opposite Maxwelton, formerly the Halfway House.

*Anthony is the depot for Frank*ford and Anthony.

Renick supplies Falling Spring, Spring Creek and the greater part of *Renick's Valley*.

Droop is opposite the end of *Droop Mountain and has no good* wagon road to it.

Beard supplies the Locust Creek country.

Burnside, a place where trains stop when signalled, is the nearest point to Hillsboro to those who want to walk.

Seebert is the regular depot for the Levels country. All off there for Hillsboro, Millpoint, Lobelia and Jacox.

Dan is for the Marvin settlement and Beaver Creek.

Buckeye, for Swago and the head of Williams River.

Marlinton supplies Edray, Stony Creek, Laurel Creek, Williams River, Tea Creek, Sugar Creek, Kerr's Creek, Elk, Indian Draft, Onoto, Yelk, Slaty Fork, Buck's Run, Beaver Dam, Huntersville, Driscol, Hunter, Sunset, Dilley's Mill, Brown's Creek, Cummings Creek, Douthard's Creek and Bath county. This is the natural crossing place and is the place that would naturally become a town, and is building surprisingly in spite of all disadvantages.

Harper, above Marlinton, has no good wagon road to it.

Clover Lick, for the Clover Lick Valley, head of Elk, Linwood and Randolph county.

Forrest, for Driftwood, Dunmore, Frost, Sittlington's Creek, Louise.

Cass, for Leatherbark, Cheat, Greenbank, Deer Creek.

Dunwoody, for Back Allegheny and Arbovale.

Durbin (change cars for Elkins and points beyond) Travelers Repose, Top of Alleghany, Highland county, Cheat Bridge and Randolph county.

Bible Question.

MR EDITOR:

The writer finds that many of the readers of The Times take *special interest in Scriptural ques*tions. Please print this question:

What is meant by the stone about which Christ asked, "What is this then that is written: The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner? Whosoever shall upon that stone shall be broken, but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder."—Luke xx-18.

Let someone give an answer *through your paper. It is one of* the most far reaching questions ever put before the human mind.

NOTICE TO TAYPAYERS.

All parties owing taxes are hereby notified to arrange for settlement at once.

I will be in to see in the next thirty days.

R. W. HILL, S. P. C.

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Granulated Sugar	6c
Good Coffee	11½c
3lb Soda	5c
4 lbs Rolled Oats	25c
3 Plugs of Schnapps'	25c
1 gal o' Lamp Oil	14c
Shoes from 75c to $1 20 pr pair	
Hats from 10c to $1 each	
Corn 55c per bushel	
Oats 35c per bushel	

If you will give us a call, we are sure to interest you—Come One and All. Thanking you for your patronage, we hope to be able to save you MONEY, in the near future. Courteous treatment assured to all We are Yours truly

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To Pocahontas Patrons

Watches needing repairs can be left with R. A. Kramer at The Times office, *Marlinton*, W. Va.

J. H. FRY & SON,
Ronceverte, W. Va.

APPOINTMENTS.

Huntersville Circuit, M. E. Church:

REV H. LAWSON, *Pastor.*

1st Sunday,—Mt Vernon, 11 a. m.
Sunset, 3 p. m.
Huntersville, 8 p. m

2d Sunday,—Marlinton 11 a. m.
Mt Pleasant 3 p. m.

3d Sunday,—Huntersville 11 a. m.
Bethel 3 p. m.
Mt Vernon 8 p. m.

4th Sunday—Mt Pleasant 11 a. m.
Marlinton 8 p. m.

5th Sunday—Bethel 11 a. m.
Sunset 8 p. m.

Now on ☛ At



Crummett's.

I was just thinking that among things demanding your consideration this spring would be Logging, Farm *or Single or double Buggy Harness* a Riding Saddle (Ladies or gents) a Snow White Raw-Hide Riding Bridles, Horse collars and Pads, Decorating rings, &c. &c. If any of *these things move you, give me first* call. There was not a store, business horse or shop in town when I came, so all competitors will please stand aside—I claim right of way.

G. F. CRUMMETT,
Marlinton, W. Va.

Notice to
Horse-Breeders:

"MARK," a *Denmark* saddle stallion will stand at the following *places for the season of 1901:*

At Academy and Marlinton and points between.

Will be in Marlinton this week and each alternate week *until the* end of the season. The rest of the time in the Levels.

Price, $5 to insure colt. Money due when mare is known to be with foal.

J. S. McNEEL,
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Good saddle and driving horse, about 1150 pounds; must be sound, quiet and gentle; not afraid of steam; not over 7 years old; price must be low for cash.

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To Our Friends and Customers:

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A No. 8 Indianola cooking stove for wood a $12.15.

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Both complete with twenty-seven pieces of ware.

We have a full line of stoves to make your choice from, ranging in price from $8.50 to $25.00.

We have 8 Thomas Hay Rakes that we will sell at cost for cash.

Banner rake, wood wheel and frame, $15.50.

Western Reliable rake, steel wheel and frame, $18.00.

A floating harrow 15 teeth at $15.00.

Single shovel plows $2.00 and $2.25.

Double shovel plows $2.00 and $2.50.

A good five shovel cultivator with lever for $3.50.

We have a complete line of doors, windows, paints, leads, oils, varnishes, etc.

We have bottom prices on nails, barb and smooth wire and poultry netting.

It will soon be fly time. Let us supply you with your screen wire cloth windows and doors. Windows [illegible] to [illegible] cents. Doors, regular sizes, [illegible] to $1.25.

Write for catalogues and prices on American wire fencing, and do not forget that we are agents for [illegible] Binder twine.

Give us a call.

Yours for Business,

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Great Auction Sale!

Tues. and Wed, June 18-19

Owing to the Great Increase in Business and being unable to properly display our Large Stock of Goods, we are obliged to have an addition built to the rear of our Store, and before we begin operations we will be obliged to sell off such goods that will be in our way. We will therefore sell at Auction $500.00 worth of Ladie's and Men's Saddles, Bridles, Web and Leather Halters, Saddle Blankets, Check Lines, Hames, Horse Colars, Collar Pads, &c., &c.

$500 worth Boy's & Men's Clothing

$300 worth Infants, Childrns, Ladies, and MEN'S SHOES

Also lots of other goods that would be in our way will be sold with*out reserve. If you want to buy real bargains wait* until Tuesday, June 18, and wednesday, June 19. Sale will commence 10 a. m. sharp On Court House Graund. Sweeker, Auctioneer.

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A six-foot flood in the river Sunday.

Edwin Hammond has moved to Stony Creek.

W. R. Cole and party went to Clover Lick last Thursday.

L. M. McClintic has moved into his new law office.

Peter D. Arbogast graduated at the University of Virginia in medicine.

Kincaid & Gay have opened a livery stable at Addison, with A. B. Kincaid in charge.

The frame of the big mill at Cass is about ready and will be raised this week.

The railroad carpenter force left Monday for Seebert where they have a few days work.

John E. Bright has sold his farm in the Flatwoods and moved to Elk to live on the Sharp place.

Rev Nickell filled his usual appointment Sunday morning, but did not go to Huntersville on account of high water.

As a general crop wheat prospects are good, but wheat harvest will be later this year than at any time in the memory of the oldest inhabitant.

Lecture on Prophetic Study at Upper Swago Church, next Sunday, June 23, 11 o'clock, by W. T. Price.

J. W. Gilmer, who recently moved from Buck's Run, near Marlinton, to Webster County, is out on a visit.

Hammond Mann now occupies the farm vacated by J. W. Gilmer's removal.

The State Board of Embalmers met in Charleston last week. A number of undertakers were examined in the art of embalming.

The run that empties into the river at Stony Bottom got on a tear Sunday and tore out the railroad bridge across it. It was a case of getting too big for its breeches.

Rev Callison preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday night. A fairly good crowd assembled, notwithstanding the bad weather. He made a regular appointment for the third Sunday night.

W. A. Bratton's household has had a scourge of diphtheria. First Mr Bratton took it, then little Mary Francis, and last Friday Mrs Bratton fell ill of the disease.

On August 1st a mail clerk will be put on the Greenbrier Division to sort the mail between stations and save the use of a great many separate pouches.

John L. Heckmer wishes to announce that he, as representative of the P. D. Co., will be in Marlinton on June 19 and following days to sell lots, adjust accounts, etc.

The lawyers of the southern part of the state will give a banquet to Judge Jackson at the Ruffner Hotel, Charleston, June 28th. Owing to the division of the district Judge Jackson will go to the northern district.

The cherry crop promises well in the cherry belt. Some of the cherry raisers are introducing a cherry seeder which lightens the tedious task of seeding about 100 per cent. It works somewhat on the principle of a corn sheller and will seed a gallon in five minutes.

The fish are enjoying a cessation of hostilities during the high water. Everyone who is foot-loose is going to give our fishing a trial this year. The number of people who are willing to spend $100 for $1 worth of fish seems to be increasing each year.

Engineer Jim Eubank with a party of friends from Hinton and Keystone were in Marlinton to take advantage of the opening of the bass season. The floods disarranged their plans very materially. Mr Eubank is one of the largest engine drivers on the main line. Once in a wreck he distinguished himself by shouldering his fireman who was hurt and carrying him a couple of miles.

On Thursday, June 13, a cloud burst occurred on Swago. Dry Branch and Bucks Run that did considerable damage to corn and wheat. On Sunday the 16th there was over the same places and contiguous spruce flats and head of Swago one of the heaviest rains that ever occurred so far as remembered by the oldest people or shown by flood marks. The sawmill and much lumber at Buckeye came near being swept away.

Sunday 2 inches of rain fell in a very short time along the western border of the county. The streams were tremendous. In the eastern part of the county the rainfall was inconsiderable. The river got up and the damage done at Ronceverte was considerable. All of Railroad avenue was flooded, the water rising to the depth of several inches in a great many of the stores. The beautiful yard of Hotel Ronceverte was covered with sand and the grass and flowers ruined.

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TRAVELERS REPOSE.

Hello down there, Mr Editor, everything up here is lovely and the goose hangs high.

Plowing corn and taters and digging in the garden seems to be the business of our farmers.

Last week was visiting week with our people. Mrs Grace Yeager, Mrs Liza McElwee and Misses Lucy Yeager and Rhoda Taacy were visiting at Lee Burner's: P. D. Yeager visited Durbin.

Miss Gertie Yeager and N. B. Arbogast were down at Greenbank and Cass last Saturday and Sunday visiting.

Clarence McClintic, of Beverly, was visiting here a few days ago.

Clyde Beard has left for parts to us unknown.

The telephone line will soon be completed from this point to Hightown.

Em Arbogast was around looking up his interest a few days ago.

Jess Siron went to his home at McDowell on a visit last week.

Joe Rexrode still takes his Sunday evening visits as usual.

Sam Henry Eye passed town last Saturday.

Jake Hevener, of Hightown, was around last week looking up business matters.

NAPOLEON BONAPARTE.

Revenue Stamps.

All persons holding uncancelled revenue stamps and stamped check books may forward them to Bank of Marlinton and receive credit for the amount represented by the stamps.

F. R. HUNTER, Cashier.

Large water coolers at Slaven's tin shop.

White Mountain cream freezers at R. B. Slavens.

Four fine milk cows with young calves for sale. Apply to Mrs M. E. Lockridge, Driscol, W. Va.

Harry Emmett and little son, of Cincinnati, O., are visiting E. E. Allen, who is Mr Emmett's brother-in-law

B. N. Rayburn is having his house painted. Dr Cunningham is also improving and beautifying his property.

Piatt Marshall, Sheriff of Randolph County, attended court this week. He was accompanied by Edwin L. Hall, of Mingo.

George and Winters Sharp, who attended the State Normal at Athens, were in Marlinton Monday on their return home.

Your friends, or a detective may appreciate your photo some day. Call next week at Marlinton.

C. F. Gay.

If you are wanting photographs in any size or style, wait a few days. I will open a gallery in Marlinton within that time.

C. F. Gay.

The Pocahontas Bank is having its bank building painted yellow trimmed in red, which adds much to its appearance. Allen & Zombro are doing the work.

Dr Cunningham will visit New York for a few weeks to take special work in one of the post graduate schools. Dr Yeager will have charge of his practice in his absence.

You will not have to give a Mechanics lien on your house or barn if you get R. B. Slavens to put up your Lighting Rods. He puts up Coles Brass Co galvanised rods, paints, and fixtures complete at 20 cents per foot; coppered rods complete put up at 25 cents perfoot and will give you time on the job.

Photographer Gay spent some time last week in Marlinton "catching the shadows" of the principal features of interest for the forthcoming issue of the Southern Manufacturer and Miner, illustrating the varied and important industrial enterprises of our booming town.

Late last Thursday night some vandal threw three stones through A. Harrison & Co's. show windows, breaking $7.50 worth of glass and causing a lot of goods to be damaged by the rain. It was a piece of malicious mischief which is absolutely indefensible, and we hope that the guilty party may be run down.

It is rather remarkable the amount of painting that has been and will be done in the town and vicinity this year. There are several firms making paper-hanging and painting a specialty who have work to keep them busy all summer. To improve and beautify one's property is one of the first fruits of the prosperity that is so prevalent in our county.

R. C. Shrader supervises the road between Bethel and Frost, and has the greater part of it in recent repair. He thinks $5 a mile ought to keep such road as his in proper condition, and $10 a mile most of the wider roads. The public road mileage in our county estimated at 400 miles. Estimating the average at $7.50 the total cost would be $3,000 per year.

Pocahontas has gained a reputation far and wide as the place for the man out of work who wants employment. Any man who is willing to work need not know an idle day. A body can hardly refrain from looking back upon the days before the railroad came, when a man was allowed to sleep well at nights, and could go fishing whenever he wanted to. When we quit work early and all hands joined in a game of ball on the village green, which green took up almost everything in sight, when you think about it; when we had no police, and consequently no drunkenness or disorder "in the eyes of the law," as the law students say.

STAMPING CREEK.

Good morning, Mr Editor, we have fine growing weather at this time.

Hoeing corn and working roads seems to be the order of the day.

W. H. Boblett is still selling fruit trees but keeps an eye on the indicator.

M. M. Sloan has returned from Charleston where he had taken his wife for medical treatment and reports her much better.

C. B. Grimes and J. T. Rose are building slide for J. A. Waugh.

W. C. Russel and C. Wiley were on the creek one day last week on business.

Mrs Lucy Nottingham was visiting Mrs Hannah Ginger one day last week.

S. A. J. McCrea's wagon was at Saturday after a load of cross hauls.

Mrs Joanna Hill, from Onoto, has been visiting her father and mother the past week.

Mrs J. H. Rose and daughter were at Lobelia last Sunday.

Emery Adkison talks of purchasing a third interest in a farm in this section if he dont succeed in learning to be a fruit tree agent.

Henry Ginger says that the time is swiftly approaching when he will have to bid farewell to West Va. and start for the wild west where he expects to make his future home.

G. Q. Grimes has moved back to his old home.

Auldridge Bros are going to put up a drugstore at Seebert and also expect medicine; they have the sand.

SHORTHAND.

The Musical Association.

The late meetings of the Pocahontas Musical Association at Buckeye were well attended and made interesting to all present. S. B. Moore, the president, was assisted in leading the exercises by Messrs I. Waugh, M. Kinnison, G. W. McKeever, H. A. Walton, John Beverage, James Beverage, G. W. Phares, C. F. Gay, J. B. Grimes and J. D. Rorke. Misses Lula Waugh, Mollie Smith and Lillie Smith presided at the organ. The Buckeye people broke their enviable record for lavish hospitality by the welcome extended the members and visitors of the association.

Missionary in Brazil.

Mrs Kate Bias Cowan is in Santa Luzio, Brazil, where she is working as a missionary of the Protestant church. She is 200 miles from the railroad and does not hear a word of English during the whole year. She has become proficient in the Portuguese language and she does not feel the loss so much. She teaches school, holds prayer meetings and Sunday School.

This lady is the daughter of Cæsereo Bias, of Bath county, who was rescued when an infant from a wrecked ship. He was supposed to be of Portuguese parentage. It is a strange coincidence that his daughter is now speaking the language of her father's native country.

Cloud Burst on Clover Creek.

The cloud burst on Clover Creek Sunday evening was one of the most disastrous dispensations that ever came to our county. At Driftwood the rainfall measured in a tin can was over six inches. The rain played havoc with plowed fields and in many instances sod land suffered severely, land slides being of frequent occurrence. The damage done on S. B. Hanna's farm is estimated at $500. At James Meek's a large slide started on both sides of his house, which was left standing on what might be called a peninsular, several feet higher than the surrounding landscape. On the James Warwick place was the largest slide, it being over a hundred feet wide and four hundred feet long. At the upper end the crevice ranges from seven to twelve feet deep. Seven horses, which were grazing on this farm, cannot be found, and it is feared they have been buried by the slide. Springs and drains, which in normal condition are nearly dry, became roaring torrents, and no less than six or seven spring houses were carried away. Clover Creek at Philip Kramer's was past riding, within an hour after the rain commenced. No estimate has been put on the damage done, but it is necessarily great.

Band Concert.

Our band gave its first concert last Wednesday evening at the fine band stand, which the boys went to so much trouble to build. This is the first of a series of concerts, the second to take place in a few weeks, due notice of which will be given in these columns. It was expected from previous reports that they would make good music, but it has been admitted by all who heard them that the boys exceeded all expectations. The band-stand, one of the finest in the state, is situated in the orchard near the court-house, and has already become the only proper place to spend a summer evening in quiet social enjoyment. The King brothers have volunteered to keep the grass short and the grounds in order. With such co-operation and self-sacrifice our musical organization cannot be anything but a success. We hope every foot loose citizen will come out next time and listen to the music and forget his trouble.

I have secured the services of W. A. Slaven, who will be in the gallery at all times—hold your orders for photographs for a week.

C. F. Gay.

FULLPOINT.

As Ben has succeeded in breaking his bridle he will venture to give you a few items of interest from this community.

Childrens' day service will be held at Marvin June 23rd commencing at 11 a. m.

M. F. Rackman says that it is cheaper to move a barn than haul away the manure that accumulated through the winter.

Rev Whitesell delivered an excellent sermon at Marvin last Sunday.

Any one desiring a first class saddle horse will do well to call on or address B. F. Nottingham.

Mr Editor, you were mistaken about Col McCrea making bridles out of that large roll of leather. He dad it to mend his harness since the hickory bark has refused to peel. The Col is a hustler and don't you forget it.

Any one desiring to employ a first class woodsman could do no better than to call on Col McCrea.

J. B. Grimes has shipped his hogs and retired from the business. Jim says he would sooner die poor than repeat the project.

Tom Beard had the misfortune to lose his pocket book containing a small sum of money.

The spirit of exploration and sight seeing is at fever heat in this community. A party of young folk took in the "sights" a few Sundays ago, having explored the Stephen caves at the head of "Stephen Hole Run." They did not venture very far from daylight, however, expecting to be devoured by wild beasts.

B. E. Jackson was a pleasant caller at N. C. Sharp's one day last week.

We are opposed to quacks who are running the country posing as evangelists being admitted into our pulpits without credentials showing their standing in the church. We are not opposed to evangelistic work but there is a class of so-called evangelists who do a great deal more harm than good. Mr Graham, for instance, who is serving a second term in the penitentiary for horse stealing.

Tell Jim Crow that there are a few pairs of ramp hooks in this vicinity, but they are all second handed and badly worn. Jeff Davis has an old pair for sale that have done service all spring but have been discarded since poke greens got ripe.

We understand that W. T. Slaven has made application for a position in N. C. Sharp's big hotel as night watchman.

We are informed that there was a sheep shearing on Stamping Creek last week in which mean whiskey, cuss words and revolvers were trumps. When they got through shearing there was not enough hide left on the twenty sheep to make a pair of moccasins.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

Hillsboro Entertainment.

The ladies of Academy and vicinity will give a supper and entertainment at the old Methodist church June 27, 1901. Meat supper from 6 to 8 o'clock. Entertainment from 8 to o'clock and Sweet supper from 9 to 12 o'clock. The entertainment will consist of music, vocal and instrumental, pantomimes, drills, &c. The proceeds of this entertainment will be used to repair the Presbyterian manse at Academy.

Everydody is cordially invited to attend.

MRS E. I. HOLT, Manager.

The Circuit Court.

One of the largest crowds ever assembled in Marlinton on court week came in Tuesday, the people making good use of our rail road. The present session of the Court is an important one, owing to the large number of criminal cases coming up, and the many indictments found last grand jury term. Judge McWhorter came up on Tuesday's train, and opened court at 1 o'clock. As usual little business was gone through with on the first day, it mainly being taken up in preparation for the week's work. The court will not last much longer than this week, notwithstanding the large volume of business, as the criminal cases, which as a general thing take up so much time, as in every case, with one exception, the evidence is direct.

Several tracts of land were sold. Col. Turk bid in the Cleek land, but the sale was not confirmed, as it seems that the people did not understand the amount of the land, where it lay, &c. The horse market seemed to take on some thing like its old time liveliness, a goodly number of fine horses were on show, and several gangs of horse traders from a distance were getting in their fine work. There were several good displays of farming impliments, especially Grove & Perry's layout of mowers and binders. The hotels and restaurants did a thriving business as usual. Although normally they are full to overflowing, they seemed to handle the large crowd very well. Taken all around we believe it was the most orderly crowd ever in Marlinton, considering the number, which speaks well for our present as well as future prosperity, as we are surely getting better. Full particulars of the proceedings next week.

NOTICE.

I expect to take the short course in one of the New York post graduate schools, and will be absent from June ... three weeks. Dr J. H. Yeager will have charge of my practice during this time, and can be found at my office or residence at all times when not professionally engaged.

J. M. CUNNINGHAM, M. D.

DILLEY'S MILL.

Heavy rains have been falling in this section and the atmosphere is rather cool for the rapid growth of vegetation.

Mrs G. S. Weiford is on the sick list.

Rev W. T. Prrce delivered a very entertaining lecture at Mt Zion last Sunday morning.

Miss Birdie Weiford returned nome from Highland county, Va., Saturday where she had been visiting friends.

Sunday School was organized at Mt Tabor last Sunday. A large number of pupils were enrolled. Rev G. S. Weiford was made superintendent.

Martha E. Irvine was hastily called to Highland county, Va., to see her son-in-law, Dock Harold, who is dangerously ill with typhoid fever.

Lemuel Shrader is visiting parents and friends in the community. He has been absent working at the lumber camps about four years.

Road working is the order of the day here which we know will be much appreciated by the traveling public, as our roads had become almost impassible for vehicles.

The cutworms are cutting the corn down before its time.

The damp cloudy weather seems to be favorable to worms in their destructive work in cornfields and gardens.

LILAC.

GREENBANK.

Good morning, Mr Editor, did you know it rained last Sunday and there are yet four Sundays to rain.

Howard Armstrong, of McDowell, Va., is in this vicinity at this time.

Clarence McClintic, of Beverly, is visiting in this vicinity.

W. A. Gladwell and wife and W. H. Arbogast and wife are off to Staunton on an extended visit.

The meeting at this place last Sunday was largely attended and a very fine sermon by Rev J. S. Hutcheson, P. E., from Judges 16-20. A good collection was taken up. Thanks.

W. A. Gladwell lost a fine horse last week from lung fever etc.

W. H. Collins has lost three hogs, one sheep, one cow and a horse by being bit by a mad dog. The cow when given a stick would snap and bite it like a dog.

Messers E. S. Mooman and —— Mathews, of Lewisburg, are in town at this time.

E. B. Cox, a painter, of Marlinton, was in town last week and left a bid on the painting of the inside of the church at this place.

The farmers say the wheat will not be worth cutting in this part of the county.

MRS POOH.

In Equador.

Geo. W. Noble, the bridge builder, is in the Republic of Equador building railroad for the Jas. P. McDonald Co., 65 miles from Quaygnil on the Chan Chan River, another Greenbrier only ten times as swift. Prices for work are something like three times as high as for similar work in the States.

He is running five camps, the pay roll being paid by the company. It has rained every day so far but the dry season is now due. The line of road they are working on reaches an altitude of 14,500 feet near Chimborazo, and crosses over to the headwaters of the Amazon River.

He is in a good farming country. Stages run to the capital, Quito, 120 miles, in ten hours. But beyond that everything is packed on mules and horses along very narrow trails. He writes to Attorney McNeil that many mules commit suicide accidentally by going over the cliffs and falling thousands of feet.

The woods are full of parrots, monkeys, all kinds of tropical fruits and rubber trees. He wishes to be remembered to all his friends here.

A Protest.

EDITOR TIMES:

I see by your paper that the Pocahontas Teachers' Institute is to be held at Huntersville. If this is so I think it is an outrage on the teachers of Pocahontas County. Why should teachers have to go off six miles from the railroad to the county superintendent's town? He must be working for the Marlinton livery men. If the law didn't compel the teachers to attend, it would not have been set at Huntersville, for very few would attend. Let us hear from Mr Warwick why he set the Institute so far from the railroad.

TEACHER.

A man was picked up on the streets of Wheeling W. Va; one day lately pronounced dead by two doctors' sat upon by a coroner's jury which found that death was due to heart failure' removed to the undertaker' and with in ten minutes sat up and sang the doxology' was hustled into court and fined five dollars for drunkenness. the doctors and the coroner's jury were not tried.—Ex.

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I have just received a nice line of summer clothing in Serges and and Flannels. They are cool, serviceable and low in price from $4.38 and up.

Paul Golden, Money-Saver, Marlinton, W.Va

HIS VESTED RIGHT.

At the last Bar Association it was proposed that there be an appeal allowed in every case which a justice tries. As the law now stands no appeal can be taken; ordinarily, when the amount in controversity is less than $15. It was opposed by some, among whom was Wesley Mollohan, West Virginia's great land lawyer, who spoke in this strain:

"I desire to oppose this matter on a different ground. I want to raise a constitutional objection to it and that is this: It is a known fact in some counties and in certain sections of counties that certain lawyers and certain so-called lawyers elect what is called 'their justice of the peace.' They own him. They bring a suit before this justice and get a judgment and there is no appeal where the amount is less than $15. It doesn't make any difference what the cause of action is, he has got a certainty. Now, I claim that after a lawyer or so-called lawyer has gone to the trouble to elect that justice of the peace and has him, that any law that would deprive him of that right and advantage is taking away his vested right. And I submit that under the Constitution it cannot be done. And I rise up in defense of that class of people."

FIDUCIARY NOTICE.

The following fiduciary accounts are before the undersigned commissioner for settlement.

J. M. Beal Admr of F. H. Beal, d'cd;
Mrs L. F. Callison Admrx of Wm H. Callison, dec'd;
J. C. Harper Admr of W. A. Bussard, dec'd;
C. D. Gillespie Admr of J. P. Myers, dec'd.
Geo M. Kee Admr of Joshua B. Kee, dec'd.
J. A. Sharp Guardian of Marion Burr.
M. J. McNeel Admr of C. M. Lewis, dec'd.

J. H. PATTERSON, Comm'r of Accounts of Pocahontas County.

Painting, Paper-Hanging and Sign Work

NOTE CAREFULLY.

Always bear in mind it is false economy to have cheap work done. The cost of cheap work is not the only thing to be considered. Work that is not well done is dear at any price. We guarantee you good work and it will pay you to see us before closing the contract for your painting and paper-hanging.

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Undertaking Department



Our Undertaking Department is the most complete of any ever in the county. We carry in stock all the time Coffins of all Sizes. We want to call special attention to our Complete Line of Children's Coffins. We make a specialty of Burial Suits and have a nice supply on hand.—All arrangements made for Funerals entrusted to our care.

Respectfully,

Pocahontas Furniture Co.

Marlinton, W. Va.

Building Lots At Forrest.

Parties desiring to purchase building lots at Forrest will apply to Harry M. Moore at Dunmore, who is authorized to make sales in my behalf.

C. F. MOORE Trustee.

Notice to Tresqassers.

All persons are hereby notified not to trespass on the lands of the undersigned in any manner, under penalty of the law, by passing through, hunting, or in any other way.

SALLIE CLENDENNIN...

Administrator's Sale

As Administrator of Mrs Elizabeth Sharp, dec'd, I will sell at public auction at the residence of Giles Sharp the following personal property:

Friday, June 28, 1901,

2 cows and calves
1 bay mare
9 head of sheep
6 bee stands
Household and kitchen furniture

Terms—Cash under $5.00, over $5.00 credit to October 1, 1901. Bond with good security, negotiable.

S. B. MOORE, Admr.

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...E NATURE OF GOD.

...image Expectations of the Day ... That Which Is Only Dimly ...een Will Be Fully Revealed.

...of Divine Power—God's Infinite Love ...His Nature Never Changes.

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...ington, D. C.—In this discourse ...image raises high expectations of ...y when that which is now only ...een will be fully revealed; text, ...xvi, 14: "Lo, these are parts of His ... But how little a portion is heard ...?" But the thunder of His power ...n understand?"

...least understood being in the uni... God. Blasphemous would be any ...pt by painting or sculpture to rep... Him. Egyptian hieroglyphs tried ...ent Him by putting the figure of ... upon a sword, implying that God ...d rules, but how imperfect the ana...! When we speak of Him it is al...always in a language figurative. He ...ght" or "Dayspring From on High," ... is a "High Tower" or the "Foun... Living Waters." His splendor is ...nt that no man can see Him and ... When the group of great theolog... assembled in Westminster Abbey ... purpose of making a system of re... belief, they first of all wanted an ...r to the question, "Who is God?" ...ne desired to undertake the answer... that overmastering question. They ... concluded to give the task to the ...est man in the assembly, who hap... to be Rev. George Gillespie. He ...nted to undertake it on the condi... that they would first unite with him ...ayer for divine direction. He began ...rayer by saying, "O God, Thou art a ... infinite, eternal and unchangeable ...hy being, wisdom, power, holiness, ..., goodness and truth." That first ...nce of Gillespie's prayer was unani...y adopted by the assembly as the ...definition of God. But, after all, it ... only a partial success, and after ...thing that language can do when ...to the utmost strain and all we can ... God in the natural world and real... God in the providential world we ...orced to cry out with Job in my text: ... these are parts of His ways. But ... little a portion of Him is heard! ... the thunder of His power who can ...rstand?"

...chbishop Tillotson and Dr. Dick and ...thy Dwight and Jonathan Edwards ...e past and the mightiest theologians ...his young century have discoursed ... the power of God, the attribute of ...potence. And we have all seen dem...ration of God's almightiness. It might ... been far out at sea when in an ...ortial gale God showed what He ...d do with the waters. It might have ... in an August thunderstorm in the ...ntains when God showed what He ...d do with the lightnings. It might ... been in South America when God ...ed what He could do with the earth...ake. It might have been among the ... when God showed what He could ... with the avalanches. Our cheek was ...ched, our breath stopped, our pulses ...ered, our whole being was terrorized, ... we had seen only an instance of di... strength. What was the power of ... storm compared with the power ...h holds all the oceans? What was ... power that shook the hills compared ...h the power that swings the earth ...gh all the centuries and for 6000 ...er, and in a formative and incomplete ...e for hundreds of thousands of years? ...at is that power that sustains our ...ld compared with the power which ...s through immensity the entire solar ...tem and all the constellations and gal...es and the universe? The mightiest ...llect of man would give away if for a ...ment there came upon it the full ap...ciation of what omnipotence is. What ... and I see and hear of divine strength ... only "parts of His ways. But how ...le a portion is heard of Him! But the ...under of His power who can under...nd?"

We try to satisfy ourselves with saying: ...t is natural law that controls things. ...ravitation is at work; centripetal and ...ntrifugal forces respond to each other." ...t what is natural law? It is only God's ...ay of doing things. At every point in ...e universe it is God's direct and con...nuous power that controls and harmon...es and sustains. That power withdrawn ...e instant would make the planetary sys...m and all the worlds which astronomy ...veals one universal wreck, bereft hemis...heres, dismantled sunsets, dead constel...tions, debris of worlds. What power it ...ust be that keeps the internal fires of ...r world imprisoned, only here and there ...urting from a Cotopaxi or a Stromboli ...r from a Vesuvius, putting Pompeii and ...erculaneum into sepulcher, but for the ...ost part the internal fires chained in ...eir cages of rock and century after cen...ury unable to break the chain or burst ...pen the door! What power to keep the ...omponent parts of the air in right pro...ortion, so that all around the world the ...ations may breathe in health, the frosts ...nd the heats hindered from working uni...ersal demolition! Power, as Isaiah says, ...to take up the isles as a very little ...hing"—Ceylon and Borneo and Hawaii ...s though they were pebbles; power to ...eigh the "mountains in scales" and the ...hills in balances"—Teneriffe and the Cor...illeras. To move a rock we must have ...ever and screw and great machinery, but ...od moves the world with nothing but a ...ord; power to create worlds and power ...o destroy them, as from the observatories ...gain and again they have been seen red ...ith flame, then pale with ashes and then ...cattered.

What is that power to us? ... It is everything to us. With Him ...n our side, the reconciled God, the sym...athetic God, the omnipotent God, we ...ay defy all human and satanic antago...sms, and when we are shut in by obsta...les we can say, as did one of Frobisher's ...en when the sailor was describing how ...their ship was surrounded by icebergs in ...he Arctic sea, "The ice was strong, but ...God was stronger than the ice." And, ...whatever opposition we may have, our ...God is mightier than the opposition. All ...ight with God, we may have the courage ...of the general dying on the battlefield. ...He asked to be turned, and when they ...aid, "Which way shall we turn you?" he ...aid, "Turn my face toward the enemy." ...What a challenge that was uttered by the ...old missionary hero, "If God be for us, ...who can be against us?" Think of it! ...God is the only being in the universe who ...has power to do as He pleases. All hu...man and angelic forces have environments. ...There are things they cannot do, heights ...they cannot scale, depths they cannot ...fathom.

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Witty writers sometimes depreciate the thunder and say it is the lightning that strikes, but I am sure God thinks well of the thunder, or He would not make so much of it, and all up and down the Bible He uses the thunder to give emphasis. It was the thunder that shook Sinai when the law was given. It was with thunder that the Lord discomfited the Philistines at Eben-ezer.

Job pictures the war horse as having a neck clothed with thunder. St. John in an apocalyptic vision again and again heard the thunder. The thunder, which is now quite well explained by the electricians, was the overpowering mystery of the ancients, and, standing among those mysteries, Job exclaimed: "Lo, these are parts of His ways. But how little a portion is heard of Him? But the thunder of His power who can understand?"

So, also, all systems of theology try to tell us what is omnipotence—that is, God's capacity to be everywhere at the same time. "Where is God?" said a heathen philosopher to a Christian man. The Christian answered, "Let me ask you where He is not?" The child had it right when, asked how many Gods are there, and he answered, "One." "How do you know that?" he was asked again. He answered, "There is only room for one, for He fills earth and heaven." An author says that if a man were set in the highest heavens he would not be any nearer the essence of God than if he were in the centre of the earth. I believe it. If this divine essence does not reach all places, what use in our prayer, for prayers are being offered to God on the other side of the earth as well as here, and God must be there and here to take supplications which are offered thousands of miles apart. Ubiquity! No one has it but God. And what an alarm to wickedness, an everywhere present Lord, and what a reinforcement when we need help! God on the throne and God with the kneeling child saying his evening prayer at his mother's lap. God above you, God beneath you, God on the right of you, God on the left of you, God within you. No pantheism, for that teaches that all things are God, but Jehovah possesses all things, as our souls possess our bodies. God at the diameter and circumference of everything, as close to you as the food you put to your lips, as the coat you put upon your back, as the sunlight that shines in your face. Appreciation of that, if through Jesus Christ, the atoning Saviour, we are right with God, ought to give us a serenity, a tranquillity, that nothing could upset. Would it make us gloomy? No, for God is the God of joy and will augment our happiness.

We have all been painfully reminded in our own experiences that we cannot be in two places at the same time, and yet here comes the thought that God can be in all places at the same time. Madler, the astronomer, went on with his explorations of the heavens until he concluded that the star Alcyone, one of the Pleiades, was the centre of the universe, and it was a fixed world, and all the other worlds revolved around that world, and some think that that world is heaven and God's throne is there and there reside the nations of the blessed. But He is no more there than He is here. Indeed Alcyone has been found to be in motion, and it also is revolving around some great centre. But no place has yet been found where God is not present by sustaining power. Omnipresence! Who fully appreciates it? Not I; not you.

Sometimes we hear Him in a whisper; sometimes we hear Him in the voice of the storm that jars the Adirondacks. But we cannot swim across this ocean. The finite cannot measure the infinite. We feel as Job did after finding God in the gold mines and the silver mines of Asia, saying, "There is a vein for the silver and a place for the gold where they fine it."

The nature of God never changes, and from all eternity that holy passion glowed in the Infinite, and I think He was throwing out worlds into space and inhabiting them and more worlds for the application of that love. He may not have told the other worlds what He did for this world, as He has not told us what He did for them. I think the love of God was demonstrated in mightier worlds before our little world was fitted up for human residence. Will a man owning 50,000 acres of land put all the cultivation on a half acre? Will God make a million worlds and put His chief affection on one small planet? Are the other worlds and larger worlds standing vacant, uninhabited, while this little world is crowded with inhabitants? No, it takes a universe of worlds to express the love of God. And there are other ransoms and other rescues and other redemptions, as there may be other millenniums and other resurrection mornings and judgment days than those of our world. But in the space of six feet by five was comprised the mightiest evidence of God's love that any world ever saw or ever will see. Compressed on two planks joined together as a cross, there was enough agony there concentrated, if distributed, to put whole nations into torture. That God allowed the assassination of His own Son for the rescue of our world is all the evidence needed that He loved the world. Go ahead, O church of God! Go ahead, O world, and tell as well as you can what the love of God is, but know beforehand that Paul was right when he said, "It passeth knowledge." Let other poets take up the story of God's love where William Cowper and Isaac Watts and Charles Wesley and Horatius Bonar left it, and let other painters improve upon the "Sistine Madonna" and the "Adoration of the Magi" and the "Crucifixion" as Raphael and Titian and Claude and Correggio presented them. Let the German pulpit orator take up the theme of God's love where Frederick Tholuck left it, let Italian pulpit take it up where Gavazzi left it, let French pulpit orator take up the theme where Bourdaloue left it, let the Swiss pulpit orator take up the theme where Merle d'Aubigne left it, let the English pulpit take it up where George Whitefield left it, let the Scotch pulpit take it up where Dr. Candlish left it, let the Welsh pulpit take it up where Christmas Evans left it, and let the American pulpit take it up where Archibald Alexander and Dr. Kirk and Matthew Simpson left it. But the world will never appreciate fully the love of God until they hear from His own lips the outburst of His infinite and everlasting affection.

Both Wives Satisfied.

John Olive, a Kansas City carpenter, has just closed a deal which will save him from prosecution for bigamy. It was all arranged at a dinner which he gave in honor of his two wives, who met to listen to a proposition their joint husband had to make. Olive lived in Kansas City for many years with his wife and five children. A year ago he went to Olathe, Kan., and married Miss Jennie Collins, whom he took to Kansas City, and established in a new home. He kept the wives apart successfully for some time, but three weeks ago he became alarmed and went to Indianapolis. Wife No. 2 set up an investigation, located wife No. 1 and swore out a warrant for the husband. Olive heard of it and returned to face the wives and the warrant. He invited both women to dine with him and laid before them this proposition: Wife No. 1 to get a divorce from him on his promise to find her an acceptable husband; wife No. 2 to drop the bigamy proceedings and to become Mrs. Olive legally when wife No. 1 got her divorce. The proposition was accepted and the divorce suit has been brought, the bigamy prosecution has also been dropped, and it is said that an acceptable husband for Mrs. Olive No. 1—an old soldier with a pension—has been found.

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WEST VIRGINIA.

The Latest News Gleaned From All Over the State.

A LADY KILLED BY ELECTRICITY.

Children of Jacob Millar Confirmed Clay Eaters—Physician Says There Are No Hopes of Saving Them—Charters Granted at Charleston—Eleven Victims of the Farmington Coal Mine Explosion Have Died—Other News.

The county authorities were called upon by people on Madison creek to aid the family of Jacob Mila. The overseer of the poor of that district in investigating the case ascertained that the children were confirmed clay eaters and that it was from the effects of their peculiar appetite that they were suffering. Though the boys were only 12 and 14 years of age they had indulged in this peculiar habit for years, and would wake up in the night and extract clay from the cracks of their log hut to eat. Their propensity for the stuff had attracted attention from the entire section. The skin of the children had assumed a clay-like color and a physician who was called in to see them states that the boys are suffering from an affection of the kidneys brought on by the habit. He also says that dropsy has appeared and that there is no hope of saving them. It is said that the parents of the children were clay-eaters in their early days and have never attempted to stop their offspring from the habit.

At Belington, Barbour county, Charley Mike, an Italian, who took his name from the nickname given by his American associates, was shot and instantly killed by John Vitella, a fellow countryman. Mike had importuned Vitella's wife to elope with him. He had been attentive to her for a long time, but the woman, while she resented it, had hesitated to tell her husband, lest he would kill Mike. When he proposed an elopement she told her husband, but begged him not to kill Mike. Vitella refused to be pacified and, hunting Mike, shot him on sight. The first bullet struck Mike in the leg, and Mike drew a pistol and returned the fire, at the same time running from his assailant. The running fire was kept up till both pistols were emptied. Mike died from three wounds within a few minutes.

At Marietta, Ohio, a storm crossed the light wires, throwing the arc currents into the incandescent wires. At the Register office Miss Lucy Hanna, 33 years old, bookkeeper, the daughter of a prominent citizen, stepped to the vault to put the books away for the day. The converter in the incandescent line had burned out and the incandescent lines carried the full arc current. As Miss Hanna stepped upon the iron doorsill of the vault she reached up to turn on the electric light. Instantly she closed the circuit between the wires and the ground and fell dead. Other employees of the office had narrow escapes while trying to remove her body.

Charters have been issued as follows: To the Safety-Governor Company, to deal in inventions, etc. The principal office to be in Boston, Mass. The total authorized capital is $1,000,000. The Flournoy Collier Company, principal office at Urleh, McDowell county, W. Va. The company is incorporated to mine and deal in coal. The capital is $100,000. The Leather Shoe Company, whose place of business is to be kept in Ellensboro, Harrison county, W. Va. Capital is $100,000.

Miss Genevieve Seybold, daughter of the late Joseph Seybold, cashier of the Bank of Wheeling for many years, was married at the home of her mother to Mr. Lee Robinson, of the Bloch Bros. Tobacco Company, of Wheeling. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. S. T. Westhafer, of the Fourth Street Methodist Episcopal Church. Only the very near friends and relatives were in attendance, the wedding being quiet on account of the recent death of the bride's father.

Mrs. Ida Harrison Schley has issued invitations to the wedding of her daughter, Miss Meta Taylor Schley, to Mr. Charles Walter, of Chambersburg, Pa., ex-district attorney for Franklin county. The ceremony will take place in Trinity Church, Shepherdstown, Wednesday evening, June 26.

Mrs. Emma Young was quietly married at Shepherdstown at the home of Mr. John Keesecker to Mr. John S. Wareham, a merchant of Hagerstown. Rev. George B. Everhart, pastor of the Reformed Church, officiated. They will live in Hagerstown.

Eleven victims of the Farmington coal mine explosion have died. So many of them belonged to Company B, First Regiment, West Virginia National Guard, that that company has been mustered out of service. It had only 25 men before the accident.

The South Branch Boom and Lumber Company has been organized at Romney. George S. Arnold is president; John J. Cornwell, secretary and treasurer, and George E. Harmison, manager.

Miss Lula Lynch, of Newberg, who accidentally shot and killed her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Lynch, is threatened with insanity and has been sent to relatives in Ohio to get her away from the scenes of the terrible accident.

By an explosion in the Logan mines in Mingo county, George Tuggle and James Smedley were instantly killed. The cause of the explosion is supposed to have been an electric spark which ignited some powder.

Mitchell Kidd, of Boone county, who disappeared a month ago, is still missing, and it is thought he has been murdered. The family, which is a large one, threatens to lynch a man who is suspected of his murder.

The Sunday ordinance enforced by the Council of Elkins closes all business places on Sunday except restaurants, which are to serve meals only, and drug stores, which can sell drugs only.

J. S. Douglass, a real estate dealer of Uniontown, Pa., ... for Uniontown coal operators ... acres of coal land in Marshall county, near Moundsville, paying $20 an acre.

Isaac P. Parker, one of the best-known residents of Hampshire county, died at his home near Three Churches, aged 80 years. His second wife, with several children, survives.

The heaviest rain ever known in Parkersburg fell Friday evening. In 45 minutes the fall was 1.85 inches. Many cellars were flooded.

Miss Zola Alderson, of Nicholas county, W. Va., eloped with A. W. Grant, of Huntington. They were married at Ironton, Ohio.

The new fishing law in West Virginia is working well. A number of arrests have been made by the fish wardens for violations of the law.

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COMMERCIAL REVIEW.

General Trade Conditions.

New York (Special).—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

"The labor situation in many parts of the country is still seriously unsettled and constitutes a reason for hesitation in some industries, discouraging new operations which satisfactory conditions would otherwise stimulate. But quick decision is to be expected in some of these labor controversies, and in the meantime trade is encouraged by reports of a satisfactory condition of winter wheat over a large portion of the country. As for spring wheat the crop was put in under very favorable conditions and there have been few unsatisfactory reports.

"Railroad earnings for May, 9.6 per cent. in excess of 1900, and 23.2 per cent. over 1899, reflect a continued activity in the country, while at New York bank clearings gain for the week 86.8 per cent. over 1900 and 59.1 per cent. over 1899, with gains at the leading cities outside New York of 27.1 per cent over 1900 and 27.4 per cent. over 1899.

"The cessation of manipulation in corn contributed to a decline of 2.1 per cent. in breadstuffs.

"Efforts to secure advances in grain by exaggerated reports of damage to the growing crop have given place to more rational statements, and the outlook is generally conceded to be full of promise. Speculative operations for a decline, however, are far from aggressive, the severe losses of the short interest thus far this season making traders extremely cautious. Abundant production in the United States does not necessarily mean weak prices, for European crops are falling below expectations, and foreign purchases continue heavy. Atlantic exports for the week, flour included, amounting to 4,540,144 bushels, against 2,855,201 last year. Pacific exports also show good gains, reaching 854,515 bushels, against 501,015 a year ago. Including exports at Duluth and Portland, Me., the total outward movement for the week, exclusive of Canadian ports, was 5,646,597 bushels, against 3,818,361 last year."

Bradstreet's says: "Failures in the United States for the week number 163, against 144 last week and 184 in this week a year ago."

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Flour.—Best Patent, $4.50a4.75; High Grade Extra, $4.00a4.25; Minnesota bakers, $2.90a3.15.

Wheat.—New York, No. 2, red, 81a82¼c; Philadelphia, No. 2, red, 76¼a77¼c; Baltimore, 75a78c.

Corn.—New York, No. 2, 48¼c; Philadelphia, No. 2, 46½a47c; Baltimore, No. 2, 46a47c.

Oats.—New York, No. 2, 33c; Philadelphia No. 2 white, 34½a35c; Baltimore, No. 2 white, 33½a34c.

Rye.—New York, No. 2, 61c; Philadelphia, No. 2, 60c; Baltimore, No. 2, 58a59c.

Hay.—The market is easy. We quote: No. 1 timothy, $16.00a16.50; No. 2 timothy, $15.50; No. 3 timothy, $14.50a15.00.

Green Fruits and Vegetables.—Onions, spring, per 100 bunches, 50a60c; do, new, Bermuda, per crate, $1.40a1.50; do Egyptian, per sack, $4.00. Asparagus, Eastern Shore Maryland, per doz. primes, $1.25a1.50. Cabbage, Charleston and North Carolina, per crate, 60a65c; do, Norfolk, per bbl, 50a65c. Celery, Florida, per crate, $1.50a2.00. Apples, $2.00a4.25. Green peas, Anne Arundel, per bushel, 80a85c; do, do Eastern Shore Maryland, 80a85c. Lettuce, native, per bushel box, 25a35c. String beans, Savannah, per basket, green 75ca$1.00; do, do, Savannah, per basket, wax, 75ca$1.00. Strawberries, per quart, 2½a6c.

Potatoes.—We quote: White, Maryland and Pennsylvania, prime, per bus., 75a80c; do, New York prime, per bus., 80a85c; do, Michigan and Ohio, per bus., 75a80c; do, new, Savannah, per bbl, No. 1, $3.00a3.50; Charleston, per bbl, No. 1, $3.00a3.50. Yams, choice, bright North Carolina, per bbl, $1.25a1.50.

Beans and peas.—New York marrow, choice hand picked, $2.50a2.55; Black eye peas, per bushel, choice, $1.75a1.80; Black peas, per bushel, choice, $1.70a1.75. Green peas, per bushel, $1.25. Nearby white beans, per bushel, $1.90a2.00.

Butter.—Creamery, 19a20c; factory, 14a15c; imitation creamery, 14a16c; State dairy, 17a18c.

Eggs.—State and Pennsylvania, 13a13½c; Southern, 11a12c; Western storage, 13c.

Provisions.—Bulk shoulders, 8a8½c; do short ribs, 9½c; do clear sides, 9½c; bacon rib sides, 10c; do clear sides, 10¼c; bacon shoulders, 9c. Fat backs, 8½c. Sugar cured breasts, 11½c; sugar cured shoulders, 9c. Hams.—Small, 11½c; large, 11c; smoked skinned hams, 12½c; picnic hams, 8¾c. Lard—Best refined, pure, in tierces, 9¼c; in tubs, 9½c per lb. Mess pork, per bbl, $16.00.

Hides.—Green salted, 6½c; Southern, 6¼c; green, 6c; dry flint, 13c; dry salted, 11c; dry calf, 10c; dry glue, 6½c. Bull hides, per lb, green, 5½a6c. Goatskins, 15a25c. Calfskins, green salted, 60a80c. Sheepskins, 60a75c. Spring lambskins, 30a40c.

Live Poultry.—Market is steady at the following quotations: Hens, 10c; old roosters, each, 25a30c; spring chickens, 16a22c. Ducks, 7a9c. Spring ducks, 15a16c. Geese, apiece, 30a45c.

Live Stock.

East Liberty, Pa.—Cattle steady; extra, $5.90a6.00; prime, $5.70a5.80. Hogs—Prime heavy hogs, $6.00a6.02½; mediums, $6.00; roughs, $4.00a5.50. Sheep—Wethers, $4.15a4.25; choice yearlings, $5.00a5.15. Veal calves, $5.50a6.00.

Chicago, Ill.—Cattle—Choice steers steady; good to prime steers, $5.50a6.10; poor to medium, $4.50a5.40; cows, $2.75a4.75; heifers, $2.80a5.15; bulls, $2.80a4.50; calves steady, $4.50a6.00. Hogs—Mixed and butchers' $5.70a5.97½; rough heavy, $5.60a5.75; light, $5.60a5.90.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY

We have thirty flag factories.

Uncle Sam owns 80,115 mules.

Paper ... as hard as wood.

Paper ... are a success.

Texas ... clerks' unions.

... painters now earn $2.75 ...

... carpenters now get $2 per day ...

... Labor Council consists of 64 unions.

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Education that Proves Its Value.

As an offset to some of the talk occasionally heard in all communities along the line of President Schwab's remarks when the executive head of the United States Steel Corporation expressed his opinion that boys had a better chance of business success in life if they did not go to college, too much prominence can hardly be given to the fact that every member of the graduating class of the Case School of Applied Science has a good position offered him, while there are more places offered than there are seniors to fill them.

Natural Disadvantages.

"Taking into consideration the things Sharp has had to contend against, I think his success as a lawyer has been remarkable."

"Why, what did he ever have to contend against?"

"Everything. He came of a wealthy family. He didn't have to work his way through college. He never studied by the light of a pine torch, never had to drive a dray, never walked six miles to school, and wasn't compelled to borrow his books. He had every possible facility, and yet he has done well from the very start."

A Friend In Trouble.

Here is a unique letter from a Billville citizen to one of his best friends:

"Dear Bill—It is rumored here that I've got two wives. Now, Bill, you're a single man, and I have always stood your friend in time of trouble. Can you take one of 'em off my hands before the law gits holt of me? She's a good housekeeper, and if you'll jest say the word I'll pay for the license. Don't forsake me, Bill. I'm your old friend, and I'm in trouble. Are you willin'?"

The Cabin.

Clutching her child to her bosom, Eliza looked out despairingly upon the rushing waters.

"What am I to do?" she moaned, wringing her hands. "The sheriff has attached our last cake of ice."

Was there no escape?

Were she and her innocent offspring to feed the ten—count 'em—ten fierce bloodhounds yonder?

Savagery.

"And do these Indian girls never evince a tendency to relapse into their former savagery?"

Tears sprang into the eyes of the mission worker.

"Ah, yes," sighed she. "Only last evening they set the table without putting doilies under the finger bowls."

But it was plain that she was by no means disheartened, for presently a brave smile chased the shadows from her fine, sensitive face.

Microbian Humor.

First Microbe—Have you ever gone up against any of these microbe killers the doctors are talking about?

Second Microbe—Lots of them.

First Microbe—Aren't you afraid?

Second Microbe—Afraid nothing. Why, I'm a microbe-killer killer, I am.

His Private Opinion.

The Maid—Do you believe that piano playing on the Sabbath is wicked?

The Parson—Well-er-most of it is.

Where Abraham Lincoln Fought.

A bill is now pending in the Illinois legislature appropriating $5,000 for the erection of a monument to the victims of the battle of Stillman's Run, against the Black Hawk Indians, in 1832. The place is situated in Ogle county. The fight, if gauged by numbers killed, or even engaged, was insignificant, but if measured by the effect it had far-reaching influence upon the then future of Illinois.

The battle of Stillman's Run was the opening event in the Black Hawk war and was sealed with the lives of 11 white men. The whole State of Illinois was ablaze within a few days, and thousands volunteered for active service in crushing the Indians, whose presence continually terrorized the white settlers. It was here Abraham Lincoln received his first lessons in warfare. Before those volunteers disbanded the red man was driven across the Mississippi, and the country was thrown open for civilized peoples. All of northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin was profoundly affected by this movement.

Austrian Public Works.

The Austrian government has in contemplation a series of vast public works and will probably undertake to carry them out at once. They include railways to cost 483,000,000 kronen and canals which will cost at least 500,000,000 kronen and will probably require 700,000,000. At the lowest estimate the sum of 1,100,000,000 kronen, or very nearly $250,000,000, will have to be provided by the state and the different provinces. These works will give employment to tens of thousands of workingmen in most of the provinces of the empire and are expected to allay much of the unrest which has been caused by poverty and political and national animosities.

A Leading Line in Paris

A certain Paris millinery firm was established in a small way ten years ago. The first year its profits were $3,160. The next year they had leaped to $19,000, and in three years had reached $234,000. The last year's balance showed $413,000 on the right side of the ledger.

Diary of a Pessimist.

The following are from a newly-found dictionary for pessimists:

Angel—One's future wife.

Ring—When made of iron, it is used to chain prisoners; when made of gold, it gives, under the name of wedlock, liberty to young persons.

Year—A period of twelve months in the case of a man and six months in the case of a woman.

Apathy—The strength of the weaker sex.

Apprenticeship—All one's life.

Balloon—The trolley car of the future.

Barbary—The home of the barrel organ and of slang.

Shepherdess—A term applied to those rustic maidens whom the kings of former days were so fond of marrying.

Boa—A hairy serpent, which women try to revive by wearing it round their necks.

Nurse—Polite synonym for a hired domestic scourge.

Chance—Woman's favorite accomplice.

Marriage—A holocaust transformed into a sacrament.

History (French)—Pharamond was the first King of France. Some historians insist that he never existed, but all claim that his son Clodion succeeded him.

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